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## I. Comparative Table of Business

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Period	Employment : Wage and Salary Earners (excluding rural workers, females in private domestic service, and defence forces) *			Wages and Salaries Paid (Weekly Average) *	New Houses and Flats : Private and Government	
	Males	Females	Persons		Approved	Completed
	Number at end of period—thousands			£ thousand	Number of Dwelling Units	
Year :				n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1938-39	529.9	168.0	697.9	9,018	35,029	19,841
1949-50	740.8	278.5	1,019.3	11,385	37,988	20,737
1950-51	758.2	291.0	1,049.2	14,364	24,419	24,576
1951-52	754.4	270.5	1,024.9	15,090	23,156	26,554
1952-53	734.3	266.2	1,000.5	16,043	30,655	27,524
1953-54	758.1	279.5	1,037.6	17,357	29,883	29,583
1954-55	779.2	292.5	1,071.7	18,955	25,527	27,145
1955-56	787.8	300.5	1,088.3			
1956 : Jan.	777.3	298.5	1,075.8	18,229	1,779	6,163
Feb.	786.7	300.9	1,087.6		1,847	
Mar.	785.8	301.1	1,086.9		2,006	
Apr.	787.8	300.4	1,088.2	19,453	1,794	7,107
May	788.6	300.7	1,089.3		2,453	
June	787.8	300.5	1,088.3		2,207	
July	786.1	299.5	1,085.6	19,613	2,340	5,582
Aug.	786.6	299.2	1,085.8		2,236	
Sept.	786.8	300.1	1,086.9		2,176	
Oct.	785.2	301.0	1,086.2	21,038	2,263	5,841
Nov.	790.6	304.0	1,094.6		2,252	
Dec.	791.6	304.7	1,096.3		1,653	
1957 : Jan.	789.4	301.3	1,090.7	19,420	2,001	5,703
Feb.	790.6	303.5	1,094.1		2,459	
Mar.	791.4	304.2	1,095.6		2,760	
Apr.	788.3	302.6	1,090.9	n.y.a.	2,262	n.y.a.
May	789.9	303.0	1,092.9		2,746	
June	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.		2,562	

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Period	Wool Sold at Auction *	Oversea Trade (Merchandise only)		Major Private Trading Banks		Savings Bank Deposits
		Imports	Exports	Deposits	Advances	
	£ thousand	£A million, f.o.b.		At end of period—£ million		
Year :						
1938-39	15,521	49.9	37.7	117.1	120.5	87.5
1949-50	107,714	214.0	216.6	394.0	166.2	258.9
1950-51	228,204	301.7	325.6	467.9	197.9	284.5
1951-52	105,261	426.8	193.9	413.6	276.0	304.5
1952-53	151,348	206.9	249.5	448.6	243.7	319.1
1953-54	144,795	277.9	249.3	483.1	281.6	339.8
1954-55	122,999	343.5	207.6	475.6	342.5	358.6
1955-56	115,699	334.2	217.2	450.8	329.7	386.7
1956 : Jan.	13,795	26.9	15.6	477.5	324.3	367.3
Feb.	5,492	24.8	6.4	473.4	316.6	371.2
Mar.	14,921	30.4	23.2	473.6	315.9	374.4
Apr.	8,401	29.6	24.4	472.2	312.7	375.7
May	11,254	31.1	26.6	460.3	328.4	376.7
June	8,709	25.8	15.2	450.8	329.7	386.7
July	265	25.7	13.0	445.8	333.9	390.3
Aug.	5,881	31.2	15.8	446.0	329.0	394.7
Sept.	16,770	24.4	17.9	446.9	325.4	399.7
Oct.	19,748	24.3	27.0	455.2	325.8	403.2
Nov.	21,018	24.2	27.8	471.8	325.5	405.5
Dec.	12,692	23.3	25.2	487.8	324.8	406.2
1957 : Jan.	13,424	27.4	24.2	494.5	314.2	408.1
Feb.	21,405	25.3	23.6	501.1	309.0	412.1
Mar.	19,717	24.0	31.0	507.5	307.7	412.4
Apr.	6,527	26.8	26.0	502.8	312.2	411.3
May	17,524	33.1	23.3	495.8	317.6	413.2
June	11,369	23.8	24.1	492.4	327.6	422.2

\* See notes to relevant table.

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14.		18.	23.	23.	23.	Table No.
N.S.W. Government Railways		New Cars, Taxis, Buses and Lorries, etc. Registered	Coal Production	Electricity Generated	Ingot Steel Production	Period
Passenger Journeys	Goods (ex- cluding live- stock) Carried					
Millions	Thousand tons	Number	Thousand tons	Mill. kWh.	Thousand tons	1938-39: Year
186.7	14,679	28,335	9,987†	1,948	1,168‡	1949-50
258.2	15,890	61,656	11,290	3,758	1,266	1950-51
268.6	17,131	76,172	12,683	4,241	1,405	1951-52
268.2	18,528	67,448	14,800	4,628	1,473	1952-53
271.7	17,877	50,057	14,289	4,868	1,846	1953-54
278.9	19,351	64,993	15,011	5,450	2,086	1954-55
281.4	18,667	81,118	14,660	5,951	2,162	1955-56
280.5	18,056	82,172	14,631	6,495	2,329	
23.8	1,154	4,950	637	493	193	Jan.: 1956
22.6	1,372	6,269	1,103	510	189	Feb.
23.2	1,407	7,207	1,101	542	198	Mar.
24.6	1,440	6,037	1,195	517	184	Apr.
23.4	1,566	6,531	1,369	591	214	May
23.4	1,498	5,691	1,325	594	213	June
22.7	1,618	6,327	1,449	634	226	July
21.1	1,701	6,408	1,467	621	203	Aug.
21.6	1,512	5,542	1,303	569	225	Sept.
24.7	1,695	6,605	1,465	575	223	Oct.
21.4	1,650	6,778	1,415	566	244	Nov.
21.4	1,322	5,619	981	535	242	Dec.
21.8	1,250	5,489	820r	543	255	Jan.: 1957
21.0	1,478	5,670	1,284r	534	233	Feb.
22.0	1,447	6,281	1,237r	588	250	Mar.
22.9	1,403	5,781	1,185p	572r	242	Apr.
21.7	1,562	7,575	1,304p	643	247	May
21.7	1,414	5,924	1,211p	n.y.a.	243	June

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Trading Banks : Debits to Customers' Accounts.*	Sydney Stock Exchange  Share Values	Real Estate Transfers and Conveyances	Wholesale Prices (Aust.) Index *	Retail Prices : Total "C" Series Index (Sydney)*	Basic Wage, Sydney (State Awards)  Adult Males *	Period
Weekly Average —£ million.	Index *	£ thousand	Average 1936-37 to 1938-39 = 100	Wtd. Av. for 6 Capitals in 1923-27 = 1000	s. per week	1938-39 : Year
n.a.	175.6	35,272	100	928	81s	1949-50
105	270.0	125,952	204	1504	135s	1950-51
145	334.1	192,311	244	1729	173s	1951-52
157	301.0	179,581	297	2140	216s	1952-53
152	253.1	143,909	319	2327	238s	1953-54
172	267.0	188,032	319	2384	243	1954-55
188	294.4	218,799	322	2398	243	1955-56
201	312.6	230,300	334	2493	255s	
184	316.1	17,480	330	}	253	Jan.: 1956
187	314.2	19,160	329		255	Feb.
200	307.9	19,000	338	} ¶	255	Mar.
201	305.7	16,762	339		255	Apr.
218	301.1	18,352	344	} ¶	256	May
204	295.5	17,440	341		256	June
215	294.4	20,256	343	} ¶	256	July
189	300.1	19,779	344		263	Aug.
201	305.8	16,680	347	} ¶	263	Sept.
222	308.2	22,268	344		263	Oct.
226	304.6	18,137	342	} ¶	274	Nov.
232	303.1	15,502	343		274	Dec.
202	311.3	16,639	343	} ¶	274	Jan.: 1957
225	315.6	18,098	345		270	Feb.
234	314.2	18,711	344	} ¶	270	Mar.
232	316.1	20,554	344p		270	Apr.
230	317.2	21,571	340p	} ¶	268	May
235	319.3	18,319	345p		268	June

† Estimated.

‡ Year ended 31st May.

§ Operative from February.

¶ See Table 54.

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## 2. Wage and Salary Earners : Employment by Principal Industrial Groups in N.S.W.

(See notes above Table 3.)

Month	Mining and Quarrying	Factories †	Building and Con- struction	Transport and Com- munication	Finance and Property	Wholesale Trade, etc.	Retail Trade	Profession- al and Personal Services ‡	Total Wage and Salary Earners in Civil Em- ployment*
Thousands									
MALES									
1939: July	24.7	158.8	57.9	77.4	.....	59.0	.....	44.0	529.9
1946: June	25.8	236.3	44.1	96.8	16.5	33.4	40.6	56.1	618.5
1952: June	31.6	274.7	76.1	115.2	22.0	47.3	49.0	67.2	754.4
1953: June	30.1	272.2	63.3	113.5	22.2	46.2	48.8	67.1	734.3
1954: June	30.9	283.8	69.3	114.0	22.5	48.3	50.6	67.6	758.1
1955: June	30.3	291.7	72.9	117.2	23.1	50.7	50.9	70.2	779.2
1956: June	29.4	294.1	76.4	117.7	24.0	51.1	50.5	71.7	787.8
1955: Nov.	29.9	294.4	72.8	117.3	22.9	51.5	52.3	70.9	784.1
Dec.	29.6	294.3	71.4	117.5	23.3	51.8	54.6	71.4	786.1
1956: Jan.	29.5	294.5	72.8	110.2	23.4	51.8	51.3	71.4	777.3
Feb.	29.1	295.7	74.3	117.3	23.8	51.5	50.7	72.2	786.7
Mar.	28.9	294.9	74.1	116.7	23.9	51.5	51.1	72.5	785.8
Apr.	29.1	295.9	74.9	117.5	24.0	51.5	50.7	71.9	787.8
1956: Nov.	29.5	294.6	77.5	116.8	24.0	52.0	51.8	72.0	790.6
Dec.	29.5	294.6	76.6	116.7	24.2	51.8	53.5	72.4	791.6
1957: Jan.	29.1	296.0	76.8	116.7	24.5	51.5	50.3	72.5	789.4
Feb.	29.1	296.7	76.7	116.6	24.7	51.6	50.1	73.0	790.6
Mar.	29.0	297.7	76.2	116.8	24.8	51.5	50.1	73.2	791.4
Apr.	28.9	297.0	74.3	116.9	24.9	51.1	49.9	73.2	788.3
FEMALES									
1939: July	0.1	59.3	0.5	4.2	.....	8.5	.....	36.0	168.0
1946: June	0.2	82.3	0.9	13.0	10.1	10.9	39.1	73.3	242.3
1952: June	0.4	84.2	1.7	15.7	14.6	15.7	42.8	83.6	270.5
1953: June	0.3	86.0	1.8	14.0	14.2	15.1	41.0	82.2	266.2
1954: June	0.3	92.9	2.0	14.3	15.1	16.2	43.1	84.1	279.5
1955: June	0.3	96.5	2.1	15.1	16.8	17.4	44.8	87.3	292.5
1956: June	0.4	97.5	2.3	15.7	18.5	17.7	45.5	90.3	300.2
1955: Nov.	0.3	98.9	2.1	15.7	17.0	18.0	48.3	89.2	301.5
Dec.	0.3	98.0	2.1	15.3	17.3	18.0	51.4	89.0	303.4
1956: Jan.	0.3	96.6	2.2	15.5	17.9	17.8	46.7	89.4	298.5
Feb.	0.3	98.5	2.2	15.7	18.3	17.8	45.9	90.0	300.9
Mar.	0.3	97.6	2.2	15.7	18.6	17.8	46.1	90.5	301.1
Apr.	0.3	97.2	2.2	15.7	18.6	18.1	45.6	90.6	300.4
1956: Nov.	0.3	98.2	2.3	15.8	18.5	18.1	47.3	91.3	304.0
Dec.	0.3	97.0	2.3	15.6	18.5	18.0	50.0	90.9	304.7
1957: Jan.	0.3	97.0	2.3	15.6	19.0	18.1	45.8	91.0	301.3
Feb.	0.3	98.2	2.3	15.6	19.3	18.2	45.2	92.1	303.5
Mar.	0.3	99.1	2.3	15.7	19.3	18.1	45.1	92.1	304.2
Apr.	0.3	98.0	2.3	15.7	19.2	18.1	44.8	92.1	302.6
PERSONS									
1939: July	24.8	218.1	58.4	81.6	.....	67.5	.....	80.0	697.9
1946: June	26.0	318.6	45.0	109.8	26.6	44.3	79.7	129.4	860.8
1952: June	32.0	358.9	77.8	130.9	36.6	63.0	91.8	150.8	1,024.9
1953: June	30.4	358.2	65.1	127.5	36.4	61.3	89.8	149.3	1,000.5
1954: June	31.2	376.7	71.3	128.3	37.6	64.5	93.7	151.7	1,037.6
1955: June	30.6	388.2	75.0	132.3	39.9	68.1	95.7	157.5	1,071.7
1956: June	29.8	391.6	78.7	133.4	42.5	68.8	96.0	162.0	1,088.0
1955: Nov.	30.2	393.3	74.9	133.0	39.9	69.5	100.6	160.1	1,085.6
Dec.	29.9	392.3	73.5	132.8	40.6	69.8	106.0	160.4	1,089.5
1956: Jan.	29.8	391.1	75.0	125.7	41.3	69.6	98.0	160.8	1,075.8
Feb.	29.4	394.2	76.5	133.0	42.1	69.3	96.6	162.2	1,087.6
Mar.	29.2	392.5	76.3	132.4	42.5	69.3	97.2	163.0	1,086.9
Apr.	29.4	393.1	77.1	133.2	42.6	69.6	96.3	162.5	1,088.2
1956: Nov.	29.8	392.8	79.8	132.6	42.5	70.1	99.1	163.3	1,094.6
Dec.	29.8	391.6	78.9	132.3	42.7	69.8	103.5	163.3	1,096.3
1957: Jan.	29.4	393.0	79.1	132.3	43.5	69.6	96.1	163.5	1,090.7
Feb.	29.4	394.9	79.0	132.2	44.0	69.8	95.3	165.1	1,094.1
Mar.	29.3	396.8	78.5	132.5	44.1	69.6	95.2	165.3	1,095.6
Apr.	29.2	395.0	76.6	132.6	44.1	69.2	94.7	165.3	1,090.9

\* Including miscellaneous groups (72,100 males, 12,100 females, 84,200 persons in April, 1957) not shown in the table. † From July, 1949, subject to revision. ‡ Includes Education, Health, Law, Hotels and Restaurants and other Professional and Personal Services.



### 3. Wage and Salary Earners in Civil Employment in N.S.W.—Governmental and Private

(Excluding Rural Workers, Females in Private Domestic Service and Defence Forces.)

(1) Particulars in Tables 2 and 3 are estimates based on the National Register of 1939, the Civilian Register of 1943, and the Occupation Survey of 1945, and returns supplied monthly by employers for purposes of Commonwealth pay-roll taxation and by governmental authorities.

(2) The Pay-roll Tax returns show the number of employees whose names appeared on the last pay-roll of the month, irrespective of whether they were actually working at the end of the month.

(3) Workers in rural industry, females in private domestic service, members of the full-time defence forces at home or abroad, and National Service Trainees in camp are excluded.

Month	Government Authorities*			Private Employment			Total Employment		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Thousands									
1939 : July	136.5	19.4	155.9	393.4	148.6	542.0	529.9	168.0	697.9
1943 : June	157.1	45.1	202.2	368.0	209.3	577.3	525.1	254.4	779.5
1945 : June	156.0	43.6	199.6	380.0	204.3	584.3	536.0	247.9	783.9
1946 : June	169.0	33.4	202.4	449.5	208.9	658.4	618.5	242.3	860.8
1947 : June	178.2	32.3	210.5	493.6	219.8	713.4	671.8	252.1	923.9
1948 : June	186.1	33.6	219.7	516.2	228.3	744.5	702.3	261.9	964.2
1949 : May†	193.8	35.7	229.5	527.6	234.2	761.8	721.4	269.9	991.3
1950 : June	202.7	39.1	241.8	538.1	239.4	777.5	740.8	278.5	1,019.3
1951 : June	207.2	41.4	248.6	551.0	249.6	800.6	758.2	291.0	1,049.2
1952 : June	214.0	41.9	255.9	540.4	228.6	769.0	754.4	270.5	1,024.9
1953 : June	206.8	39.3	246.1	527.5	226.9	754.4	734.3	266.2	1,000.5
1954 : June	210.6	40.0	250.6	547.5	239.5	787.0	758.1	279.5	1,037.6
1955 : June	215.2	42.3	257.5	564.0	250.2	814.2	779.2	292.5	1,071.7
1955 : Nov.	214.0	43.2	257.2	570.1	258.3	828.4	784.1	301.5	1,085.6
Dec.	215.1	42.8	257.9	571.0	260.6	831.6	786.1	303.4	1,089.5
1956 : Jan.	214.2	43.1	257.3	563.1	255.4	818.5	777.3	298.5	1,075.8
Feb.	215.0	43.9	258.9	571.7	257.0	828.7	786.7	300.9	1,087.6
Mar.	214.9	44.0	258.9	570.9	257.1	828.0	785.8	301.1	1,086.9
Apr.	215.2	43.9	259.1	572.6	256.5	829.1	787.8	300.4	1,088.2
May	216.1	44.1	260.2	572.5	256.6	829.1	788.6	300.7	1,089.3
June	216.7	44.2	260.9	571.1	256.0	827.1	787.8	300.2	1,088.0
July	217.4	44.6	262.0	568.7	254.9	823.6	786.1	299.5	1,085.6
Aug.	217.0	44.4	261.4	569.6	254.8	824.4	786.6	299.2	1,085.8
Sept.	215.1	44.2	259.3	571.7	255.9	827.6	786.8	300.1	1,086.9
Oct.	213.7	44.0	257.7	571.5	257.0	828.5	785.2	301.0	1,086.2
Nov.	214.1	44.1	258.2	576.5	259.9	836.4	790.6	304.0	1,094.6
Dec.	215.0	43.8	258.8	576.6	260.9	837.5	791.6	304.7	1,096.3
1957 : Jan.	215.3	44.1	259.4	574.1	257.2	831.3	789.4	301.3	1,090.7
Feb.	215.5	45.2	260.7	575.1	258.3	833.4	790.6	303.5	1,094.1
Mar.	215.6	45.2	260.8	575.8	259.0	834.8	791.4	304.2	1,095.6
Apr.	216.0	45.0	261.0	572.3	257.6	829.9	788.3	302.6	1,090.9

\* Employees of Commonwealth, State, local, and allied governmental authorities.

† June, 1949, affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions.

### 4. Employment in Larger Private Factories, New South Wales

In order to provide a prompt indication of the trend of employment in private factories, a survey of employment in 623 larger privately-owned factories in New South Wales is made each month, by joint arrangement between the Secretary of the Department of Labour and National Service and the Commonwealth Statistician. Approximately half of total factory employment is covered by the collection, the results of which are usually available one month earlier than particulars of total factory employment shown in Table 2.

Larger Private Factories—Employment at end of Month										
Industrial Group	Males			Females			Persons			
	1957			1957			1957			
	Apr.	May	June	Apr.	May	June	Apr.	May	June	
Building Materials ...	12,884	12,897	12,833	1,408	1,373	1,335	14,292	14,270	14,168	
Basic Metals ...	33,427	33,582	33,569	1,489	1,480	1,504	34,916	35,062	35,073	
Transportation Equipment ...	17,798	17,900	17,899	1,808	1,793	1,782	19,606	19,693	19,681	
Other Metal Manufacture ...	38,007	38,053	37,160	10,264	10,236	10,302	48,271	48,289	47,462	
Chemicals and Allied Products ...	7,308	7,309	7,306	2,143	2,114	2,113	9,451	9,423	9,419	
Clothing and Textiles ...	10,678	10,542	10,534	17,945	17,815	17,774	28,623	28,357	28,308	
Food ...	13,824	13,685	13,538	6,049	5,723	5,645	19,873	19,408	19,183	
All Other ...	17,604	17,656	17,746	5,291	5,224	5,251	22,895	22,880	22,997	
Total—All Groups ...	151,530	151,624	150,585	46,397	45,758	45,706	197,927	197,382	196,291	
Excluding Food ...	137,706	137,939	137,047	40,348	40,035	40,061	178,054	177,974	177,108	

## 5. Wages and Salaries Paid and Average Earnings, N.S.W.\*

Year.	Total Wages and Salaries Paid : Weekly Average †	Average Weekly Earnings per Male Unit ‡	Quarter	Total Wages and Salaries Paid : Weekly Average †				Average Weekly Earnings per Male Unit ‡			
				1953-54	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57	1953-54	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57
	£ thousand	£		£ thousand				£	£	£	£
1948-49	8,133	8.73	Sept. Qr.	15,654	16,765	18,454	19,613	16.01	16.60	17.79	18.75
1949-50	9,018	9.50	Dec. Qr.	16,753	17,918	19,683	21,038	16.87	17.53	18.83	20.01
1950-51	11,385	11.46	Mar. Qr.	15,303	16,511	18,229	19,420	15.33	16.07	17.46	18.45
1951-52	14,364	14.24	June Qr.	16,463	18,235	19,453		16.38	17.64	18.57	
1952-53	15,090	15.50									
1953-54	16,043	16.15									
1954-55	17,357	16.96									
1955-56	18,955	18.16									

\* Includes Australian Capital Territory. † Excludes pay of members of the armed forces. ‡ Total wages divided by total civil employment expressed in male units. Male units represent total male employment plus a proportion of female employment based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings.

## 6. Unemployment, Sickness, and Special Benefits in New South Wales\*: Amount of Benefits Paid and Admissions to Unemployment Benefit

Period	Number Admitted to Unemployment Benefit during Period			Amount of Benefits Paid during Period			
	Males	Females	Persons	Unemployment	Sickness	Special †	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Year: 1949-50‡	103,599	23,901	127,500	1,064,698	307,315	176,698	1,548,711
1950-51	5,605	601	6,206	25,324	296,418	50,303	372,045
1951-52	7,680	3,258	10,938	55,135	262,244	33,502	350,881
1952-53	76,668	11,972	88,640	2,686,297	546,432	72,932	3,305,661
1953-54	18,854	4,599	23,453	1,247,215	697,949	132,797	2,077,961
1954-55	5,152	2,475	7,627	254,558	676,148	126,650	1,057,356
1955-56	8,126	2,591	10,717	216,400	644,464	125,394	986,258
1956: March	1,072	323	1,395	27,237	48,968	7,778	83,983
April	907	242	1,149	34,030	48,719	7,409	90,158
May	781	293	1,074	29,774	58,015	9,089	96,878
June	1,294	411	1,705	30,652	53,025	8,758	92,435
July	1,316	427	1,743	30,261	49,831	8,437	88,529
August	1,633	427	2,060	52,052	67,999	11,037	131,088
September	1,765	377	2,142	42,114	53,037	8,762	103,913
October	1,286	357	1,643	48,371	56,574	10,327	115,272
November	1,253	369	1,622	44,366	47,813	8,874	101,053
December	2,078	483	2,561	43,446	43,675	9,021	96,142
1957: January	1,723	308	2,031	56,729	46,231	10,346	113,306
February	2,106	522	2,628	61,191	52,737	10,798	124,726
March	2,192	557	2,749	53,115	44,748	7,210	105,073
April	2,469	550	3,019	40,327	34,613	6,417	81,357
May	2,252	490	2,742	98,768	74,004	12,818	185,590

\* Including Australian Capital Territory.

† Including payments to immigrants during training for employment.

‡ Affected by power restrictions occasioned by an industrial dispute.

## 7. Unemployment, Sickness, and Special Benefits in New South Wales\*: Number Receiving Benefits at End of each Month

Last Saturday of Month	Unemployment			Sickness	Special †	All Benefits
	Males	Females	Persons	Persons		
1956: March	1,782	463	2,245	2,979	649	5,873
April	1,294	495	1,789	3,031	622	5,442
May	1,275	573	1,848	3,066	694	5,608
June	1,592	733	2,325	3,114	683	6,122
July	2,166	907	3,073	3,199	716	6,988
August	2,261	858	3,119	3,245	724	7,088
September	2,414	806	3,220	3,087	717	7,024
October	2,266	867	3,133	3,096	700	6,929
November	2,424	900	3,324	2,954	672	6,950
December	3,396	969	4,365	2,827	699	7,891
1957: January	3,313	878	4,191	2,819	701	7,711
February	3,335	1,001	4,336	2,775	715	7,826
March	3,242	1,080	4,322	3,045	690	8,057
April	4,009	1,235	5,244	2,856	677	8,777
May	4,191	1,194	5,385	2,923	676	8,984

\* Including Australian Capital Territory.

† Excluding immigrants.

## 8. Industrial Disputes in New South Wales

Compiled by N.S.W. Department of Labour and Industry

Period	Disputes	Employees Involved			Man-working Days Lost by Employees Involved		
		Mining	Non-mining	Total	Mining	Non-mining	Total
	Number			Thousands			
Year : 1939	533	203	9	212	381	65	446
1949	1,303	167	49	216	770	248	1,018
1950	1,694	221	138	359	294	325	619
1951	1,443	335	144	479	409	328	737
1952	1,297	194	181	375	274	485	759
1953	1,119	138	171	309	353	385	740
1954	1,132	166	88	254	256	278	534
1955	1,146	131	192	323	208	489	697
1956	904	123	93	216	178	464	642
1956 : May	61	10	14	24	15	31	46
June	52	5	12	17	5	28	33
July	61	5	15	20	9	23	32
August	91	9	15	24	21	46	67
September	67	9	5	14	17	20	37
October	72	9	2	11	17	10	27
November	63	8	8	16	13	5	18
December	21	3	1	4	4	1	5
1957 : January	38	5	12	17	6	12	18
February	64	9	4	13	15	5	20
March	77	18	12	30	26	13	39
April	45	6	4	10	11	16	27
May	43	24	11	35	40	11	51

Monthly particulars are approximate.

## 9. Population, Migration, Births, Deaths and Marriages, New South Wales

Period	Estimated Population at end of Period			Net Immigration	Live Births	Total Deaths	Deaths under 1 Year	Marriages
	Males	Females	Persons					
Year : 1949	1,579,257	1,570,549	3,149,806	69,903	68,812	29,364	1,878	28,757
1950	1,627,618	1,613,439	3,241,057	58,399	71,592	30,965	1,936	30,036
1951	1,667,566	1,647,106	3,314,672	41,010	72,069	31,932	1,895	30,341
1952	1,695,899	1,672,087	3,367,986	18,043	74,196	32,038	1,818	29,351
1953	1,713,639	1,695,370	3,409,009	4,578	74,890	31,707	1,846	27,573
1954	1,738,385	1,723,928	3,462,313	15,977	73,125	32,444	1,850	27,503
1955	1,770,966	1,754,957	3,525,923	21,756	74,407	32,553	1,850	27,645
1956	1,802,138	1,786,206	3,588,344	20,771	75,714	34,064	1,778	27,313
1954 : June Qr.	1,720,860	1,702,669	3,423,529	(-) 1,949	18,607	8,168	488	6,926
Sept. Qr.	1,728,003	1,711,157	3,439,160	7,302	18,326	9,997	485	5,989
Dec. Qr.	1,738,385	1,723,928	3,462,313	12,509	18,069	7,425	435	7,443
1955 : Mar. Qr.	1,747,737	1,732,093	3,479,830	5,772	18,639	6,894	447	6,900
June Qr.	1,753,041	1,737,290	3,490,331	464	18,511	8,474	470	7,29
Sept. Qr.	1,760,819	1,744,281	3,505,100	5,072	19,404	9,707	494	5,905
Dec. Qr.	1,770,966	1,754,957	3,525,923	10,448	17,853	7,478	439	7,547
1956 : Mar. Qr.	1,780,808	1,763,327	3,544,135	6,791	18,526	7,105	394	7,082
June Qr.	1,785,243	1,768,189	3,553,432	(-) 1,446	19,244	8,501	458	7,132
Sept. Qr.	1,792,170	1,775,975	3,568,145	5,875	19,318	10,480	500	5,698
Dec. Qr.	1,802,142	1,786,202	3,588,344	9,551	18,626	7,978	426	7,401
1957 : Mar. Qr.	1,811,831	1,795,867	3,607,698	6,758	19,730	7,134	438	7,677

(-) Denotes net emigration.

The Estimated Population of Metropolis (Sydney and Suburbs) at 30th June, 1956, was 1,935,880 persons.

## 10. Mean Population of N.S.W. : Financial and Calendar Years

Year	Year ended 30th June			Year ended 31st December		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1949	1,525,112	1,523,939	3,049,051	1,548,916	1,544,361	3,093,277
1950	1,577,252	1,568,447	3,145,699	1,602,498	1,590,710	3,193,208
1951	1,626,328	1,612,078	3,238,406	1,648,264	1,631,151	3,279,415
1952	1,665,975	1,645,865	3,311,840	1,682,305	1,659,171	3,341,476
1953	1,695,042	1,671,316	3,366,358	1,704,209	1,682,347	3,386,556
1954	1,712,508	1,692,906	3,405,414	1,723,012	1,705,476	3,428,488
1955	1,737,803	1,721,735	3,459,538	1,754,138	1,738,247	3,492,385
1956	1,770,560	1,753,819	3,524,379	1,786,292	1,769,562	3,555,854

# **BUILDING ACTIVITY IN NEW SOUTH WALES**

Note 1. "Value" represents the estimated cost of the building when completed (exclusive of the land).

2. Building is classified as "government" or "private" according to ownership.

3. The value of building approved is the value of permits issued by local government councils, plus the value of contracts let or work commenced and day labour projects authorised by governmental authorities.

4. Buildings on rural holdings are for the most part excluded.

## **11. Value of Private and Government Building\* Approved : Area of State**

Period	Private	Government	Private and Government				
	Total, N.S.W.	Total, N.S.W.	Division of Cumberland			Rest of State	Total, N.S.W.
			Metropolis †	Balance†	Total		
£ thousand							
Year : 1948	49,443	11,343	28,839	12,191	41,030	19,756	60,786
1949	58,923	14,244	34,419	13,847	48,266	24,901	73,167
1950	82,118	17,375	45,276	19,655	64,931	34,562	99,493
1951	97,712	22,386	52,249	23,626	75,875	44,223	120,098
1952	66,404	12,252	32,607	16,311	48,918	29,738	78,656
1953	90,224	21,361	49,526	22,499	72,025	39,560	111,585
1954	110,448	20,051	80,702	3,267	83,969	46,530	130,499
1955	118,520	38,721	99,989	9,782	109,771	47,470	157,241
1956	114,891	33,260	95,935	9,968	105,903	42,248	148,151
1956: Jan.-May	51,167	14,581	40,608	7,544	48,152	17,596	65,748
1957: Jan.-May	50,119	10,582	38,898	2,020	40,918	19,783	60,701
1956: March	10,479	1,423	8,066	317	8,383	3,519	11,902
April	9,262	2,573	7,900	344	8,244	3,591	11,835
May	12,207	8,527	10,074	6,212	16,286	4,448	20,734
1957: March	9,331	4,927	8,149	453	8,602	5,656	14,258
April	9,176	1,193	6,193	395	6,588	3,781	10,369
May	13,201	1,118	9,282	523	9,805	4,514	14,319

\* New buildings and alterations and additions combined. † Metropolis enlarged on 1st January, 1954, by transfer of 425 sq. miles from "Balance of Cumberland." Figures since January, 1954, are not comparable with those for earlier periods.

## **12. Value of Private and Government Building\* Approved : Class of Building**

Period	Houses	Flats and Conversions to Flats	Hotels, Guest Houses, etc.	Shops and Shops with Dwellings	Factories	Other Buildings	Total
£ thousand							
DIVISION OF CUMBERLAND							
Year : 1949	35,574	2,499	33	724	4,357	5,079	48,266
1950	46,009	3,596	129	1,271	6,901	7,025	64,931
1951	47,801	3,589	500	1,533	9,725	12,727	75,875
1952	31,112	1,124	503	1,147	6,585	8,447	48,918
1953	49,258	973	1,324	2,608	4,762	13,100	72,025
1954	51,887	796	1,638	5,574	10,492	13,582	83,969
1955	52,846	1,703	2,060	4,131	20,528	28,503	109,771
1956	50,915	1,857	2,699	4,356	19,025	27,051	105,903
1956: Jan.-May	19,796	834	1,689	2,251	12,290	11,292	48,152
1957: Jan.-May	24,902	1,762	632	1,743	4,574	7,305	40,918
1956: March	4,181	104	273	372	1,238	2,215	8,383
April	3,506	46	511	391	1,221	2,569	8,244
May	4,739	445	51	394	8,029	2,628	16,286
1957: March	5,551	316	65	277	1,140	1,253	8,602
April	4,658	204	29	546	705	446	6,588
May	5,000	783	293	440	1,496	1,793	9,805
NEW SOUTH WALES							
Year : 1949	54,630	2,991	111	1,178	5,187	9,070	73,167
1950	70,063	4,379	359	2,336	8,619	13,737	99,493
1951	77,067	4,195	1,090	2,906	14,460	20,380	120,098
1952	52,853	1,353	1,227	2,018	8,159	13,046	78,656
1953	78,294	1,632	2,184	4,155	5,475	19,845	111,585
1954	82,210	1,612	3,346	7,726	12,064	23,541	130,499
1955	81,651	2,309	3,945	6,235	23,223	39,878	157,241
1956	75,997	2,353	4,241	6,067	21,952	37,541	148,151
1956: Jan.-May	30,350	1,016	2,485	3,082	13,128	15,687	65,748
1957: Jan.-May	36,316	2,028	1,288	2,322	7,067	11,680	60,701
1956: March	6,276	160	366	468	1,303	3,329	11,902
April	5,558	81	750	529	1,510	3,407	11,835
May	7,352	475	270	584	8,266	3,787	20,734
1957: March	8,091	354	124	370	2,755	2,564	14,258
April	6,906	251	223	648	819	1,522	10,369
May	7,842	895	568	646	1,949	2,419	14,319

\* New buildings, alterations and additions combined.



### 13. New House and Flat Building, New South Wales : Number of Dwelling Units

Period	Houses				Flats				Houses and Flats			
	Ap- proved †	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Un- com- pleted *	Ap- proved †	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Un- com- pleted *	Ap- proved †	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Un- com- pleted *
PRIVATE												
Year : 1951	28,206	21,336	16,252	28,442†	1,091	732	790	849	29,297	22,068	17,042	29,291†
1952	17,827	18,449	19,634	27,257†	271	295	744	529	18,098	18,744	20,378	27,786†
1953	23,103	20,324	21,051	26,530†	393	306	555	271	23,496	20,630	21,606	26,801†
1954	24,254	22,205	22,145	26,590†	499	531	412	384	24,753	22,736	22,557	26,974†
1955	23,173	21,606	23,455	24,741†	651	499	406	451	23,824	22,105	23,861	25,192†
1956	21,049	20,065	20,181	24,625†	811	628	530	507	21,860	20,693	20,711	25,132†
1955 : Mar. Qr.	5,514	5,217	5,350	26,457†	111	60	93	337	5,625	5,277	5,443	26,794*
June Qr.	6,144	5,398	6,285	25,570†	159	105	87	351	6,303	5,503	6,372	25,921†
Sept. Qr.	5,984	5,592	6,139	25,023†	210	146	111	384	6,194	5,738	6,250	25,407†
Dec. Qr.	5,531	5,399	5,681	24,741†	171	188	115	451	5,702	5,587	5,796	25,192†
1956 : Mar. Qr.	5,167	5,148	5,333	24,556†	139	176	113	510	5,306	5,324	5,446	25,066†
June Qr.	5,241	4,923	5,454	24,025†	222	172	98	584	5,463	5,095	5,552	24,609†
Sept. Qr.	5,613	5,053	4,579	24,499†	234	145	145	582	5,847	5,198	4,724	25,081†
Dec. Qr.	5,028	4,941	4,815	24,625†	216	135	174	507	5,244	5,076	4,989	25,132†
1957 : Mar. Qr.	5,154	5,157	4,798	24,984†	205	118	127	495	5,359	5,275	4,925	25,479†

GOVERNMENT												
Year : 1951	5,247	4,322	4,127	4,970	507	523	330	1,462	5,754	4,845	4,457	6,432
1952	843	2,931	5,250	2,651	(-) 25	236	635	1,063	818	3,167	5,885	3,714
1953	6,232	5,071	4,547	3,175	348	148	1,000	211	6,580	5,219	5,547	3,386
1954	4,511	5,448	6,031	2,592	265	422	273	360	4,776	5,870	6,304	2,952
1955	3,398	3,697	3,958	2,331	283	261	276	345	3,681	3,958	4,234	2,676
1956	3,026	2,957	3,573	1,715	120	129	409	65	3,146	3,086	3,982	1,780
1955 : Mar. Qr.	307	701	1,068	2,225	9	24	98	286	316	725	1,166	2,511
June Qr.	1,679	857	1,204	1,878	141	137	35	388	1,820	994	1,239	2,266
Sept. Qr.	700	1,257	861	2,274	72	48	76	360	772	1,305	937	2,634
Dec. Qr.	712	882	825	2,331	61	52	67	345	773	934	892	2,676
1956 : Mar. Qr.	296	523	658	2,196	30	58	59	344	326	581	717	2,540
June Qr.	979	713	1,418	1,491	12	39	137	246	991	752	1,555	1,737
Sept. Qr.	845	851	755	1,587	60	...	103	143	905	851	858	1,730
Dec. Qr.	906	870	742	1,715	18	32	110	65	924	902	852	1,780
1957 : Mar. Qr.	1,757	843	775	1,783	104	52	3	114	1,861	895	778	1,897

PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT												
Year : 1951	33,453	25,658	20,379	33,412†	1,598	1,255	1,120	2,311	35,051	26,913	21,499	35,723†
1952	18,670	21,380	24,884	29,908†	246	531	1,379	1,592	18,916	21,911	26,263	31,500†
1953	29,335	25,395	25,598	29,705†	471	454	1,555	482	30,076	25,849	27,153	30,187†
1954	28,765	27,653	28,176	29,182†	764	953	685	744	29,529	28,606	28,861	29,926†
1955	26,571	25,303	27,413	27,072†	934	760	682	796	27,505	26,063	28,095	27,868†
1956	24,075	23,022	23,754	26,340†	931	757	939	572	25,006	23,779	24,693	26,912†
1955 : Mar. Qr.	5,821	5,918	6,418	28,682†	120	84	191	623	5,941	6,002	6,609	29,305†
June Qr.	7,823	6,255	7,489	27,448†	300	242	122	739	8,123	6,497	7,611	28,187†
Sept. Qr.	6,684	6,849	7,000	27,297†	282	194	187	744	6,966	7,043	7,187	28,041†
Dec. Qr.	6,243	6,281	6,506	27,072†	232	240	182	796	6,475	6,521	6,688	27,868†
1956 : Mar. Qr.	5,463	5,671	5,991	26,752†	169	234	172	854	5,632	5,905	6,163	27,606†
June Qr.	6,220	5,636	6,872	25,516†	234	211	235	830	6,454	5,847	7,107	26,346†
Sept. Qr.	6,458	5,904	5,334	26,086†	294	145	248	725	6,752	6,049	5,582	26,811†
Dec. Qr.	5,934	5,811	5,557	26,340†	234	167	284	572	6,168	5,978	5,841	26,912†
1957 : Mar. Qr.	6,911	6,000	5,573	26,767†	309	170	130	609	7,220	6,170	5,703	27,376†

\* At end of period. Includes some private houses on which work has been suspended or abandoned. † Partly estimated.  
 ‡ "Private approved"—local government permits to build. "Government approved"—contracts let and day labour projects authorised by governmental authorities. Statistics of dwellings approved are available monthly; figures for current months are as follows :—

Ownership	Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
New Houses and Flats Approved : Number of Dwelling Units.													
Private	1956	1,609	1,823	1,874	1,539	2,117	1,807	2,050	1,998	1,799	1,827	1,918	1,499
	1957	1,566	1,903	1,890	1,973	2,535	2,299						
Gov'tment	1956	170	24	132	255	336	400	290	238	377	436	334	154
	1957	435	556	870	289	211	263						
Total	1956	1,779	1,847	2,006	1,794	2,453	2,207	2,340	2,236	2,176	2,263	2,252	1,653
	1957	2,001	2,459	2,766	2,262	2,746	2,562						

(-) denotes excess of contracts cancelled over contracts let.

### 14. New South Wales Government Railways: Traffic and Finances

Period	Passenger Journeys	Goods Carried (excluding livestock)	Earnings*	Working Expenses†	Excess of Earnings over Working Expenses
	Thousands	Thous. tons		£ thousand	
Year: 1938-39	186,720	14,679	19,146	14,543	4,603
1949-50	258,183	15,890	40,122‡	39,281	841
1950-51	268,567	17,131	49,448	49,168	280
1951-52	268,168	18,528	68,910	64,020	4,890
1952-53	271,698	17,877	72,676	66,452	6,224
1953-54	278,904	19,351	74,569	67,397	7,172
1954-55	281,417	18,667	73,361	68,397	4,964
1955-56	280,470	18,056	75,386	74,904	482
1955-56: July-May	257,078	16,558	68,422	67,371	1,051
1956-57: July-May	242,472	16,637	72,517	69,052	3,465
1956: February	22,647	1,372	5,812	6,006	(—) 194
March	23,172	1,407	6,264	6,368	(—) 104
April	24,635	1,440	5,921	6,234	(—) 313
May	23,411	1,566	6,360	6,858	(—) 498
1957: February	21,033	1,478	6,059	6,158	(—) 99
March	22,012	1,447	6,437	6,201	236
April	22,871	1,403	6,467	6,104	363
May	21,738	1,562	6,802	6,129	673

\* Excludes grants from Consolidated Revenue (£1,800,000 in 1955-56). † Excluding capital charges such as interest, exchange, etc.; a proportion of sinking fund for retirement of assets is included. ‡ Excludes a special grant of £3m. by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

### 15. New South Wales Government Tramways and Omnibuses: Finances

Period	Gross Revenue			Working Expenses*	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses
	Trams	Buses	Total		
			£ thousand		
Year: 1938-39	3,449	925	4,374	3,707	667
1949-50	4,792	4,307	9,099†	9,538	(—) 439
1950-51	5,162	5,110	10,272	11,201	(—) 929
1951-52	5,510	5,680	11,190	13,807	(—) 2,617
1952-53	5,690	5,836	11,526	14,240	(—) 2,714
1953-54	5,542	6,033	11,575	13,631	(—) 2,056
1954-55	5,227	6,248	11,475	13,657	(—) 2,182
1955-56	4,704	6,363	11,067	14,017	(—) 2,950
1955-56: July-May	4,362	5,838	10,200	12,968	(—) 2,768
1956-57: July-May	5,442	7,683	13,125	13,163	(—) 38
1956: February	373	507	880	1,131	(—) 251
March	412	555	967	1,216	(—) 249
April	398	534	932	1,232	(—) 300
May	389	528	917	1,203	(—) 286
1957: February	460	660	1,120	1,123	(—) 3
March	513	735	1,248	1,232	16
April	494	694	1,188	1,162	26
May	497	704	1,201	1,193	8

\* Exclusive of sinking fund, interest on loan capital, exchange, and depreciation.

† Excludes a special grant of £200,000 by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

### 16. Port of Sydney: Cargoes Discharged and Shipped

Compiled by Maritime Services Board of New South Wales.

Period	Oversea		Interstate		Intrastate		Total	
	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward
	Thousand tons (Measurement and Weight Combined)							
Year: 1938-39	2,045	1,429	1,187	798	1,896	340	5,128	2,567
1952-53	2,452	1,255	871	675	1,881	92	5,204	2,022
1953-54	3,166	1,433	948	798	2,028	62	6,142	2,293
1954-55	3,687	1,331	987	700	2,000	46	6,674	2,077
1955-56	3,109	1,529	1,073	573	2,282	26	6,464	2,128
1956-57	2,633	1,539	977	483	2,385	19	5,995	2,041
1956: June Qr.	759	513	273	132	576	6	1,608	651
Sept. Qr.	682	340	257	139	636	3	1,575	482
Dec. Qr.	645	411	246	125	607	6	1,498	542
1957: Mar. Qr.	618	385	239	90	533	3	1,390	478
June Qr.	688	403	235	129	609	7	1,532	539

## 17. Motor Vehicles on the Register\* in New South Wales

End of Month	Cars	Omni-buses	Taxi-cabs and Hire Cars	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Trailers	All Other Vehicles†	Total on Register
1939 : June	213,331	1,430	3,278	76,726	294,765	24,151	6,414	2,298	327,628
1945 : June	182,972	1,891	2,962	82,957	270,782	16,068	9,065	2,397	298,312
1947 : June	195,857	2,200	3,330	113,544	314,931	25,172	14,712	3,635	358,450
1949 : June	232,837	2,947	3,562	140,338	379,684	36,379	21,525	6,362	443,950
1951 : June	308,294	3,363	4,159	181,529	497,345	46,851	28,131	9,328	581,655
1953 : June	360,573	3,417	4,471	199,870	568,331	45,100	34,173	11,413	659,017
1954 : June	393,951	3,457	4,446	210,142	611,996	42,451	37,853	13,136	705,436
1955 : June	437,372	3,566	4,524	223,676	669,138	39,787	42,356	15,304	766,585
1956 : June	478,833	3,586	4,564	238,823	725,806	37,039	48,117	17,819	828,781
1956 : Feb.	467,817	3,589	4,592	234,385	710,383	38,204	46,896	17,054	812,537
Mar.	471,444	3,584	4,587	235,730	715,345	37,933	47,191	17,168	817,637
Apr.	474,323	3,584	4,596	236,815	719,318	37,728	47,463	17,385	821,894
May	476,716	3,574	4,599	237,950	722,839	37,336	47,819	17,588	825,582
1957 : Feb.	500,856	3,626	4,614	247,454	756,550	36,404	53,333	19,548	865,835
Mar.	504,092	3,636	4,623	248,737	761,088	36,371	53,589	19,776	870,824
Apr.	506,417	3,641	4,605	249,869	764,532	36,286	54,072	19,905	874,795
May	508,875	3,672	4,612	250,660	767,819	35,910	54,649	20,127	878,505

\* Excludes defence vehicles.

† Comprises traders' plates, tourist vehicles, and tractors (excluding tractors used solely on farms); details are shown in the Statistical Bulletin (Quarterly).

## 18. New Motor Vehicles Registered\* in New South Wales : Types

Period	Cars†	Taxi-cabs‡	Omni-buses‡	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Tractors§ and Trailers	Total
Year : 1938-39	19,924	569	130	7,712	28,335	2,196	1,714	32,245
1948-49	25,466	186	339	11,674	37,665	7,442	4,177	49,284
1949-50	41,163	133	212	20,158	61,666	8,659	5,004	75,329
1950-51	46,689	323	84	29,076	76,172	8,855	5,578	90,605
1951-52	41,426	267	127	25,628	67,448	6,018	5,779	79,245
1952-53	30,989	509	123	18,436	50,057	3,042	5,653	58,752
1953-54	43,174	445	117	21,257	64,993	2,964	6,216	74,173
1954-55	55,944	339	59	24,776	81,118	3,437	7,544	92,099
1955-56	55,773	468	18	25,913	82,172	2,971	8,237	93,380
1955-56 : July-May	52,057	406	17	24,001	76,481	2,805	7,730	87,016
1956-57 : July-May	47,282	310	75	20,408	68,075	2,708	8,707	79,490
1956 : Feb.	4,197	44	1	2,027	6,269	221	506	6,996
Mar.	4,917	48	2	2,240	7,207	268	524	7,999
Apr.	3,953	37	1	2,046	6,037	220	553	6,810
May	4,190	38	1	2,302	6,531	212	630	7,373
1957 : Feb.	4,336	31	9	1,294	5,670	292	754	6,716
Mar.	4,277	33	12	1,959	6,281	284	439	7,004
Apr.	3,991	25	4	1,761	5,781	241	674	6,696
May	5,220	27	18	2,310	7,575	256	778	8,609

\* Excludes defence vehicles.

† Includes taxi-cabs and omnibuses in country districts.

‡ Metropolitan

and Newcastle Districts only.

§ Tractors used solely on farms are not registered.

## 19. New Motor Vehicles Registered in New South Wales : Country of Origin

Period	Cars					Lorries, Utilities, and Vans				
	Australia	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total	Australia	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total
Year : 1938-39	...	38.8	60.6	0.6	19,924	...	25.0	74.6	0.4	7,712
1948-49	3.1	76.5	18.7	1.7	25,466	...	50.1	49.8	0.1	11,674
1949-50	11.7	77.2	7.9	3.2	41,163	...	72.0	27.4	0.6	20,158
1950-51	16.5	67.5	10.1	5.9	46,689	1.9	75.8	21.7	0.6	29,076
1951-52	19.3	62.2	11.8	6.7	41,426	7.9	63.7	26.8	1.6	25,628
1952-53	32.3	50.1	14.5	3.1	30,989	18.8	49.8	29.4	2.0	18,436
1953-54	29.3	53.1	14.2	3.4	43,174	19.8	49.0	29.2	2.0	21,257
1954-55	25.8	57.4	10.8	6.0	55,944	24.1	47.3	25.6	3.0	24,776
1955-56	28.5	49.9	12.3	9.3	55,773	23.8	45.5	26.2	4.5	25,913
1955-56 : July-May	28.1	50.2	12.6	9.1	52,057	23.6	45.7	26.3	4.4	24,001
1956-57 : July-May	38.8	42.8	6.8	11.6	47,282	29.3	37.7	27.3	5.7	20,408
1956 : Feb.	31.7	46.8	11.3	10.2	4,197	24.8	42.4	28.6	4.2	2,027
Mar.	29.3	48.9	13.2	8.6	4,917	23.6	44.5	26.5	5.4	2,240
Apr.	30.4	44.4	14.1	11.1	3,953	23.2	45.0	25.8	6.0	2,046
May	31.6	43.3	11.9	13.2	4,190	24.2	43.4	26.9	5.5	2,302
1957 : Feb.	44.8	37.4	6.8	11.0	4,336	7.6	50.2	35.7	6.5	1,294
Mar.	45.5	38.2	6.6	9.7	4,277	38.1	32.0	24.6	5.3	1,959
Apr.	42.5	40.6	6.9	10.0	3,991	37.0	30.1	26.9	6.0	1,761
May	37.9	46.7	6.1	9.3	5,220	37.5	30.1	26.2	6.2	2,310

## 20. Coal Production in New South Wales

Period of Four Weeks	Last Day of Period (1957 Dates)	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
Thousand tons								
1st*	Jan. 19	442	622	604	605	304	291	305r
2nd	Feb. 16	876	1,134	1,135	1,151	1,194	1,037	1,224r
3rd	Mar. 16	888	1,292	1,139	1,217	1,036	1,046	1,209r
4th	Apr. 13	1,052	1,158	1,008	1,134	1,098	1,018	1,227r
5th	May 11	980	1,171	931	1,119	1,164	1,146	966r
6th	June 8	1,052	1,147	999	1,285	1,222	1,196	1,229p
7th	July 6	1,168	1,236	1,052	1,155	1,203	1,317	1,194p
8th	Aug. 3	1,158	1,177	1,309	1,201	1,295	1,333	
9th	Aug. 31	1,174	1,240	1,247	1,221	1,249	1,263	
10th	Sept. 28	1,205	1,287	1,242	1,246	1,274	1,302	
11th	Oct. 26	1,255	1,267	1,232	1,257	1,246	1,277	
12th	Nov. 23	1,222	1,272	1,284	1,211	1,202	1,274	
13th*	Dec. 21	1,041	1,019	992	1,281	1,249	1,310	
Year: Underground		11,224	12,492	12,452	13,703	13,835	14,000	
Open Cut ...		2,289	2,530	1,722	1,380	901	810	
Total ...		13,513	15,022	14,174	15,083	14,736	14,810	

## TWENTY-EIGHT WEEKS ENDED—

	July 14	July 12	July 11	July 10	July 9	July 7	July 6
Northern District ...	4,114	4,957	4,302	4,872	4,500	4,377	4,383p
Southern District ...	1,232	1,374	1,452	1,677	1,752	1,861	2,186p
Western District ...	1,113	1,429	1,113	1,117	970	812	785p
Underground ...	5,441	6,342	5,950	6,906	6,758	6,635	6,998p
Open Cut ...	1,018	1,418	917	760	464	415	356p
Total ...	6,459	7,760	6,867	7,666	7,222	7,050	7,354p

\*Miners' mid-summer holidays:

	1951.	1952.	1953.	1954.	1955.	1956.	1957.
In 1st Period ...	2 weeks	2 weeks	2 weeks	2 weeks	3 weeks	3 weeks	3 weeks
In 13th Period	1 week	1 week	1 week	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.

## 21. Consumption of Gas and Electricity, Sydney

(Index of Monthly Sales of Gas and Electricity)

Based on number of units each equal to 3,412 British Thermal Units. The base for each month is the average sales in the corresponding month of the three years, 1929 to 1931.

Month	Average 1929 to 1931	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
January	100	235	251	252	275	281	299	312
February	100	240	258	263	277	297	318	329
March	100	235	253	264	285	298	308	324
April	100	243	249	256	273	281	306	315
May	100	240	253	261	286	300	320	335
June	100	245	250	274	300	313	332	
July	100	253	254	276	296	311	333	
August	100	255	248	273	296	311	337	
September	100	248	251	276	304	305	330	
October	100	255	254	279	294	299	325	
November	100	265	256	283	303	313	329	
December	100	246	265	282	299	305	312	
Year	100	247	253	270	291	302	321	



## MONTHLY PRODUCTION, NEW SOUTH WALES

Statistics for 1954-55 are final, but all figures from July, 1955, are subject to revision.

## 22. Production of Food and Drink

Period	Butter *	Cheese *	Processed Whole Milk Products	Bacon and Ham *	Jam	Preserved Fruit	Preserved Vegetables	Ice Cream
	Thousand lb.							Thous. gal.
Year: 1950-51	76,873	6,630	45,827	28,157	31,096	35,743	32,130	7,711
1951-52	52,501	4,469	38,577	27,911†	29,260	48,106	37,823	7,937
1952-53	83,076	7,084	54,451	29,509	20,095	37,118	35,880	5,322
1953-54	66,557	7,191	50,233	26,499	23,800	52,592	19,603	5,525
1954-55	86,661	5,617	26,580	26,218	22,377	46,867	22,967	6,050
1955-56p	91,984	7,595	39,691	25,392	22,769	40,567	32,704	6,230
1955-56: July-May	88,597	7,257	36,924	23,797	21,630	39,895	30,688	5,981
1956-57: July-May	72,723	8,540	45,236	21,126	21,399	36,769	34,249	6,170
1956: February	10,433	820	2,886	1,643	2,390	9,418	4,101	615
March	8,469	818	4,118	1,901	2,106	18,579	2,970	623
April	6,173	632	3,402	1,946	1,589	934	1,904	498
May	4,478	380	2,601	2,054	1,613	504	1,971	377
1957: February	7,755	829	4,958	1,555	1,556	2,696	4,716	564
March	8,030	907	5,343	1,650	2,161	18,518	5,311	583
April	5,878	694	3,993	1,882	1,905	5,937	4,824	495
May	4,509	598	3,535	1,874	2,821	771	2,264	437

Period	Flour (Wheaten)	Bran (Wheaten)	Pollard (Wheaten)	Cornflour (incl. Edible Starch)	Biscuits †	Confectionery		Beer
	Tons (2,000 lb.)			Cwt.	Thous. lb.	Chocolate (excl. coverture)	Other	Thous. gal.
Year: 1950-51	677,682	112,744	146,879	179,891	67,725	25,766	34,900	61,966
1951-52	563,325	97,733	131,498	203,440	76,732	23,243	36,894	66,799
1952-53	521,957	84,221	125,575	198,345	73,432	20,829	35,673	72,672
1953-54	581,547	91,374	135,115	194,737	73,543	21,803	33,963	79,943
1954-55	561,233	96,036	126,605	216,557	73,090	19,797	35,981	88,081
1955-56p	548,880	86,285	119,030	246,289	76,478	21,195	36,551	94,782
1955-56: July-May	499,986	78,855	108,388	223,266	69,124	19,059	33,464	88,758
1956-57: July-May	562,859	85,978	125,608	278,884	69,414	21,256	36,320	87,066
1956: February	38,982	6,209	8,899	20,736	5,718	1,746	3,069	7,953
March	43,764	6,928	10,017	18,875	6,866	2,152	2,930	8,238
April	48,545	7,465	10,698	19,515	5,406	2,198	2,682	7,645
May	53,537	8,557	11,679	26,695	6,610	2,734	3,401	7,010
1957: February	49,317	7,566	11,075	24,471	6,075	2,031	3,346	7,606
March	50,277	7,590	11,072	29,606	7,149	2,400	3,197	7,190
April	45,327	6,842	9,829	22,913	5,474	2,304	2,787	7,533
May	48,947	7,328	10,657	25,552	7,850	2,763	3,572	8,083

\* Production in factories only.

† Excluding ice cream cones.

‡ From July, 1951, the production of pressed ham and canned bacon and ham was changed from "bone-out" to a "bone-in" weight basis.

## 23. Production of Metals, Coal and Energy

Period	Gold	Coal	Coke (Metallurg.)	Pig Iron	Ingot Steel	Gas	Electricity
	Fine oz.	Thousand tons			Thousand therms †		Mill. kWh.
Year: 1950-51	52,714	12,683	1,488	1,158	1,405	100,313	4,241
1951-52	40,761	14,800	1,607	1,219	1,473	105,951	4,628
1952-53	32,040	14,289	1,866	1,541	1,846	104,285	4,868
1953-54	31,913	15,011	1,987	1,621	2,086	107,307	5,450
1954-55	27,750	14,660	2,029	1,669	2,162	110,152	5,951
1955-56p	30,159	14,631	2,053	1,777	2,329	112,734	6,495
1955-56: July-May	28,223	13,305	1,867	1,624	2,116	101,859	5,901
1956-57: July-May	29,524	13,910	2,063	1,697	2,591	105,157	6,380
1956: February	2,700	1,103	169	145	189	8,157	510
March	2,371	1,101	183	153	198	8,602	542
April	2,239	1,195	175	147	184	8,724	517
May	2,463	1,369	189	162	214	10,137	591
1957: February	2,776	1,284	175	152	233	8,159	534
March	3,060	1,237	192	153	250	9,026	588
April	3,195	1,185	185	147	242	8,878	572†
May	3,370	1,304	190	152	247	10,485	643

\* Monthly totals are approximate. † One Therm = 100,000 British Thermal Units.

## 24. Production of Textiles and Clothing

Period	Yarn				Woven Cloth			
	Woollen (Pure)	Worsted (Pure)	Cotton (Pure)	Other Yarn	Woollen (Pure)	Worsted (Pure)	Cotton (Pure)	Other Cloth
	Thousand lb.				Thousand sq. yds.			
Year : 1950-51	3,839	8,218	16,346	n.a.	2,321	10,929	13,044	8,019
1951-52	3,186	6,457	15,700	219	1,176	9,281	13,093	6,890
1952-53	2,425	6,034	14,043	1,403	1,872	7,802	11,154	8,507
1953-54	3,287	5,976	18,161	4,215	2,194	8,020	15,508	11,828
1954-55	3,020	6,009	19,168	8,484	1,260	7,394	15,974	9,158
1955-56p	3,066	5,867	19,253	12,037	1,013	7,397	16,787	9,178
1955-56 : July-May	2,816	5,392	17,626	10,886	928	6,838	15,339	8,258
1956-57 : July-May	2,817	5,369	18,408	13,756	1,072	5,927	15,738	12,963
1956 : February	271	527	1,731	1,021	88	712	1,407	860
March	321	509	1,600	953	113	667	1,401	837
April	268	418	1,557	1,076	72	526	1,491	932
May	247	588	1,760	1,129	80	695	1,604	819
1957 : February	283	465	1,667	1,202	104	568	1,464	1,213
March	323	511	1,732	1,311	94	537	1,530	1,488
April	252	466	1,684	1,324	108	448	1,608	1,480
May	339	507	1,858	1,554	102	555	1,634	1,375

Period	Hosiery		Corsets (incl. roll-on girdles)	Brassieres	Gloves		Boots, Shoes and Sandals*	Slippers
	Women's, Maids' and Girls*	Other			Dress	Work*		
	Dozen pairs		Dozen		Dozen pairs		Thousand pairs	
Year : 1950-51	465,854	423,477	46,880	168,814	14,277	125,834	6,287	2,755
1951-52	463,596	376,536	48,120	163,163	15,362	151,555	6,675	2,465
1952-53	565,016	337,153	40,970	148,727	21,761	112,503	6,229	2,461
1953-54	610,178	442,305	57,020	178,604	27,740	147,326	7,272	2,978
1954-55	641,205	415,010	50,398	159,144	14,707	184,009	7,008	2,098
1955-56p	595,696	365,107	57,333	164,339	17,073	192,335	6,828	2,296
1955-56 : July-May	540,537	338,591	51,684	149,930	15,495	178,999	6,246	2,115
1956-57 : July-May	598,311	381,585	45,590	143,800	19,432	163,885	6,860	1,874
1956 : February	54,450	32,659	5,032	15,240	1,524	15,001	528	185
March	54,132	32,824	5,101	13,796	1,500	13,458	575	189
April	47,506	29,435	4,435	12,778	1,534	11,154	493	180
May	56,987	38,288	5,828	17,049	2,025	16,693	647	210
1957 : February	53,184	32,983	4,119	13,676	1,939	14,872	563	167
March	56,472	32,197	4,156	14,677	1,913	15,160	620	187
April	53,699	29,253	3,333	13,331	1,689	14,939	557	217
May	58,404	32,657	4,349	17,380	2,174	17,105	676	225

Period	Men's and Youths' Outer Clothing					Cardigans, Pullovers (Knitted)	
	3-Piece Suits	2-Piece Suits	Sports Coats and Blazers	Sports Trousers	Overcoats and Raincoats†	Men's, Youths' and Boys'	Women's, Maids' and Girls'
	Number					Dozen	
Year : 1950-51	116,836	301,805	253,808	1,314,067	135,243	78,434	95,164
1951-52	69,491	273,081	205,672	1,127,600	129,793	66,579	101,258
1952-53	43,466	241,402	173,653	947,725	93,945	56,828	89,279
1953-54	35,026	282,435	251,748	1,168,169	70,117	89,409	139,990
1954-55	33,294	285,979	277,077	1,210,723	50,603	94,462	138,950
1955-56p	19,735	301,849	248,492	1,363,750	52,570	86,497	135,147
1955-56 : July-May	17,953	277,352	227,217	1,251,807	50,073	78,557	123,803
1956-57 : July-May	13,485	279,068	229,850	1,167,423	44,833	97,717	137,647
1956 : February	1,489	25,141	20,014	120,810	4,354	10,082	14,048
March	1,652	22,865	23,839	119,795	8,064	11,155	14,384
April	1,047	23,903	19,962	102,654	7,097	8,964	12,448
May	1,257	26,203	26,046	137,742	5,674	13,094	13,384
1957 : February	986	23,561	25,879	113,211	3,731	15,186	13,912
March	1,041	27,187	23,624	107,877	7,433	11,738	15,481
April	895	22,543	18,742	96,649	6,452	11,436	14,327
May	803	27,471	22,849	117,593	7,159	13,396	15,199

\* Excluding articles of rubber.

† Excluding plastic raincoats.

## 25. Production of Building Materials

Period	Sawn Timber (Native) *	Bricks (Clay)	Tiles		Fibrous Plaster Sheets	Cement	Paints	
			Terra Cotta	Cement			Ready-Mixed Paint	Lacquers and Enamels
	Mill. sup. ft.	Thousands			Thous. and sq. yds.	Tons	Thousand gal.	
Year: 1950-51	338.3	341,994	22,590	11,213	4,963	613,425	2,577	1,575
1951-52	380.6	354,545	22,765	20,273	4,962	594,276	2,598	1,771
1952-53	347.3	300,328	28,034	5,692	4,616	670,644	2,078	1,725
1953-54	370.3	375,593	30,431	8,484	5,445	726,053	2,363	2,288
1954-55	372.9	382,902	29,778	10,153	6,036	815,603	2,761	2,932
1955-56p	375.4	372,604	29,768	11,983	5,351	805,400	2,900	3,067
1955-56: July-May	341.0	343,132	27,221	8,720	4,922	732,962	2,681	2,832
1956-57: July-May	n.y.a.	323,964	25,641	n.a.	4,649	828,726	2,793	2,674
1956: February	23.9	28,503	2,386	691	451	57,126	210	219
March	21.9	28,930	2,248	812	427	62,419	253	243
April	23.5	29,496	2,413	699	426	65,233	246	230
May	33.4	32,178	2,766	734	455	71,226	294	295
1957: February	26.9	27,999	2,162	880	412	67,955	227	223
March	25.5	30,206	2,361	888	427	80,951	269	260
April	34.3	30,639	2,210	993	401	84,487	256	229
May	n.y.a.	33,559	2,696	n.a.	469	7,9111	280	258

\* Including sawn sleepers.

## 26. Production of Household Appliances

Period	Stoves, Domestic Cooking				Coppers (Gas and Electric)	Sink Heaters (Gas and Electric)	Bath Heaters (All Types)	Hot Water Systems (Storage— All Types)
	Solid Fuel	Gas	Electric					
			Stoves	Stovettes Excl. Cookers				
	Number							
Year: 1950-51	14,183	26,933	16,623	38,074	48,928	10,333	68,273	29,775
1951-52	15,214	25,232	17,022	26,290	41,686	13,537	62,492	28,707
1952-53	11,316	17,556	8,137	17,522	23,375	6,800	47,523	18,170
1953-54	13,582	22,729	13,263	20,150	n.a.	8,351	49,511	25,418
1954-55	13,235	n.a.	23,015	18,038	26,552	10,213	50,680	26,725
1955-56p	12,302	20,813	26,093	16,273	24,465	10,330	47,645	25,646
1955-56: July-May	11,426	19,553	24,335	15,187	22,804	9,336	43,535	23,385
1956-57: July-May	9,829	17,403	25,963	18,126	18,177	8,081	35,750	23,206
1956: February	1,135	1,478	2,516	1,424	2,274	646	2,975	1,893
March	796	1,076	2,047	1,657	1,995	828	3,877	1,975
April	741	1,119	1,822	1,087	1,726	657	3,779	1,686
May	928	919	2,161	1,225	2,438	838	4,941	2,566
1957: February	690	1,064	1,646	1,736	1,440	564	2,658	1,946
March	729	1,212	2,094	1,424	1,554	374	2,636	1,906
April	788	988	2,091	963	1,615	526	3,767	1,759
May	842	1,305	1,838	639	1,817	742	3,779	2,385

Period	Refrigerators (Household)	Electric Clothes Washing Machines (Domestic)	Electric Toasters	Wireless Cabinets	Radios			Radiograms
					Portable	Car	Mantel, Table and Console	
	Number							
Year: 1950-51	113,603	19,163	70,676	276,682	.....	197,026	.....	60,616
1951-52	101,195	23,097	107,448	227,014	.....	165,511	.....	45,655
1952-53	91,717	14,669	47,049	156,739	.....	56,299	.....	40,787
1953-54	159,287	43,815	70,461	265,503	.....	79,686	.....	60,196
1954-55	171,641	71,617	75,134	277,993	63,022	30,757	127,013	66,592
1955-56p	154,504	74,011	92,642	251,394	48,447	35,716	129,205	63,115
1955-56: July-May	148,570	66,698	84,050	232,194	45,599	33,355	117,850	56,351
1956-57: July-May	103,062	61,532	89,663	172,970	55,245	30,115	90,414	54,027
1956: February	10,407	5,871	7,522	20,765	4,437	2,148	10,328	4,293
March	9,476	6,843	7,630	24,757	3,851	1,463	12,081	5,390
April	5,746	5,014	7,946	12,822	3,648	3,163	7,301	4,502
May	6,530	7,376	10,270	31,341	4,433	1,509	11,353	5,726
1957: February	6,961	5,803	8,163	12,044	{ 13,421	9,408	7,428	5,322
March	6,767	5,941	10,054	19,522			7,819	5,614
April	5,130	5,113	9,225	11,177			8,969	4,961
May	5,932	7,051	8,188	18,605			5,913	2,854

## 27. Production of Miscellaneous Products

Period	Internal Combustion Engines	Electric Motors		Motor Bodies *	Pedal Cycles
		Under 1 h.p.	Over 1 h.p.		
Number					
Year : 1950-51	23,746	369,684	34,166	8,866	29,156
1951-52	22,480	417,945	34,255	9,276	28,701
1952-53	12,126	353,820	21,251	9,431	21,766
1953-54	17,482	682,480	22,410	21,956	23,405
1954-55	17,281	851,460	30,493	26,777	28,253
1955-56p	48,626	752,959	30,327	31,792	27,693
1955-56: July-May	47,126	709,984	28,052	29,355	26,058
1956-57: July-May	87,192	598,357	24,055	30,741	23,871
1956 : February	n.a.	60,553	2,853	2,869	1,817
March	n.a.	57,366	2,717	2,919	1,667
April	} 13,923 {	49,413	2,493	2,446	1,498
May		59,369	2,686	2,990	1,884
1957 : February	10,594	54,883	2,068	3,118	1,828
March	11,761	59,591	2,664	3,302	2,317
April	5,448	53,485	2,290	2,761	1,749
May	4,968	69,767	3,243	3,303	2,145

Period	Soap †				Cleansing and Scouring Powders (excl. Synthetic Detergents)
	Toilet (incl. Shampoos and Shaving Soap)	Household (incl. Flakes, Chips, Extracts, Powders)	Industrial (incl. Flakes, Chips, Extracts, Powders)	Other (Liquid, Soft and Sand)	
			Cwt.		
Year : 1950-51	241,185	666,063	62,289	99,160	53,696†
1951-52	265,115	710,139	56,189	106,550	55,246
1952-53	231,759	692,804	67,475	94,967	59,186
1953-54	265,438	666,303	75,213	98,401	60,073
1954-55	291,493	712,876	91,277	117,532	50,096
1955-56p	262,306	695,751	98,399	126,454	42,583
1955-56: July-May	238,219	629,799	91,392	116,679	39,175
1956-57: July-May	238,480	602,983	89,993	103,247	34,700
1956: February	18,747	51,660	7,854	10,750	3,545
March	23,668	72,351	8,548	10,918	3,739
April	19,857	52,811	8,910	10,866	4,043
May	27,487	59,530	9,641	10,622	3,005
1957: February	20,555	58,244	9,265	10,183	3,542
March	21,124	56,926	8,024	10,133	4,514
April	22,359	59,162	8,485	8,456	3,902
May	20,816	55,040	9,026	9,560	3,600

Period	Sulphuric Acid	Sulphate of Ammonia	Mattresses		
			Wire	Inner Spring	Other
		Tons		Number	
Year : 1950-51	112,151	37,222	78,285	157,406	166,865
1951-52	117,035	43,549	67,264	128,104	118,942
1952-53	124,359	48,078	80,961	148,554	98,352
1953-54	147,777	52,785	99,391	198,472	98,635
1954-55	184,234	57,242	118,033	218,690	100,209
1955-56p	179,744	53,915	101,670	221,181	84,699
1955-56: July-May	168,962	48,669	95,964	205,591	78,539
1956-57: July-May	151,233	44,452	84,268	199,522	72,719
1956: February	15,032	4,310	9,307	18,209	6,463
March	14,056	4,001	10,724	20,114	6,509
April	12,215	4,133	9,236	17,569	5,633
May	11,183	5,137	8,463	19,965	6,553
1957: February	15,643	3,007	8,074	21,200	6,156
March	18,039	3,586	7,988	20,035	6,493
April	15,620	3,252	7,500	17,321	6,079
May	17,004	3,145	7,566	20,043	10,202

\* Excludes conversions, cabins, and bodies assembled from imported panels. synthetic detergents, but thereafter these are excluded.

† Figures to June, 1954, include  
‡ Includes synthetic detergents.



## 28. Index of Rainfall in Rural Districts, New South Wales

(Normal rainfall for each month = 100)

Month	Sheep Districts					Wheat Districts				Coastal Dairying Districts			
	N.	C.	S.	W.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.
1955: December	76	62	94	35	73	78	76	76	76	310	136	142	244
1956: January	162	197	199	145	182	135	174	206	189	128	162	91	132
February	386	388	142	265	294	370	384	131	227	402	362	452	398
March	136	396	461	659	372	113	393	503	425	120	245	291	174
April	155	164	264	146	192	170	175	266	230	64	43	57	58
May	258	197	249	252	237	299	203	260	250	127	156	245	150
June	155	163	176	129	161	149	155	156	155	126	198	244	160
July	104	192	215	344	191	115	172	235	204	17	39	102	34
August	29	78	101	22	66	41	89	100	90	45	84	74	59
September	82	75	99	89	86	70	82	99	91	43	32	53	41
October	146	217	257	194	207	161	210	287	251	59	107	179	87
November	40	23	62	20	40	36	23	59	47	24	20	52	26
December	82	30	27	24	43	74	25	26	32	136	75	34	107
1957: January	71	37	13	14	36	72	45	12	28	86	36	20	64
February	123	149	130	184	139	121	130	139	134	118	208	127	142
March	92	49	67	55	68	90	53	70	68	77	79	40	73
April	105	62	56	39	70	118	68	59	69	26	36	10	27
May	8	6	16	7	10	13	7	12	11	5	9	7	6
June	54	38	80	115	64	55	34	82	66	31	28	72	36

N.—Northern. C.—Central. S.—Southern. W.—Western. T.—Total, all Districts.

## WOOL

### 29. Number of Sheep, Sheep Shorn, and Production of Wool, New South Wales

Sheep as at 31st March. Sheep Shorn and Wool Production (as in grease) in season ended June

Particulars	1938-39	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1954-55	1955-56
Sheep ... .. mill.	48.9	54.1	53.7	57.5	59.6	59.2	63.0
Sheep Shorn ... .. mill.	51.5	52.9	52.7	56.7	59.2	59.6	61.8
Wool Produced* .. mill. lb.	437.1	492.1	437.8	556.6	544.9	541.0	593.7

\* Includes crutchings and wool from skins.

### 30. Wool Received into Store and Unsold in Store, New South Wales

(Excluding Albury Centre and Joint Organisation Stocks)

Period	Received into Store during period				Unsold in Store at end of period			
	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total
Thousand bales								
Season: 1947-48	869.2	152.1	46.9	1,068.2	13.7	1.2	0.2	15.1
1948-49	998.9	181.1	54.4	1,234.4	75.7	2.8	0.5	79.0
1949-50	1,066.6	218.9	57.0	1,342.5	11.6	1.3	0.1	13.0
1950-51	1,052.4	176.0	51.2	1,279.6	24.6	1.8	0.4	26.8
1951-52	903.6	164.4	42.7	1,110.7	14.9	0.7	0.2	15.8
1952-53	1,136.2	207.2	53.2	1,396.6	17.5	0.8	...	18.3
1953-54	1,108.7	262.2	57.6	1,428.5	19.1	1.9	0.1	21.1
1954-55	1,077.9	251.8	56.9	1,386.6	22.7	3.2	0.3	26.2
1955-56	1,145.3	271.4	66.2	1,482.9	17.5	1.6	...	19.1
1956-57	1,297.0	339.1	71.7	1,707.8	31.7	6.2	0.1	38.0
1956: January	25.8	10.5	0.7	37.0	250.8	62.4	28.6	341.8
February	29.2	6.0	0.3	35.5	213.4	68.3	29.0	310.7
March	36.1	10.0	0.6	46.7	115.7	39.1	20.2	175.0
April	52.0	14.5	1.0	67.5	70.3	53.5	9.6	133.4
May	61.8	12.4	0.5	74.7	35.9	25.2	0.1	61.2
June	66.8	6.6	...	73.4	17.5	1.6	...	19.1
1957: January	37.5	9.5	1.0	48.0	356.5	72.3	27.9	456.7
February	40.7	9.3	0.3	50.3	252.1	42.5	16.7	311.3
March	57.7	15.8	0.5	74.0	165.6	24.1	5.6	195.3
April	65.1	17.3	0.9	83.3	166.4	41.3	6.6	214.3
May	65.0	15.5	1.6	82.1	93.5	17.6	...	111.1
June	51.2	9.6	0.2	61.0	31.7	6.2	0.1	38.0

### 31. Wool: Sales at Auction, New South Wales

Excluding Albury Centre. Includes small quantities bought-in by Joint Organisation, but excludes sales from stocks held by Joint Organisation.

Period	Wool Sold					Amount Realised				
	Greasy and Scoured			Total		Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total	
	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Greasy	Scoured					
Season:	Thousand bales *					£ thousand				
1938-39	1,144.6	32.1	...	1,118.9	57.8	n.a.	n.a.	...	15,521	
1948-49	925.4	170.2	54.0	1,079.0	70.6	53,699	10,193	3,439	67,331	
1949-50	1,118.4	202.7	57.1	1,293.8	84.4	86,510	16,217	4,987	107,714	
1950-51	1,038.6	175.5	50.9	1,194.8	70.2	185,502	32,589	10,113	228,204	
1951-52	912.2	165.4	43.3	1,071.9	49.0	85,188	15,943	4,130	105,261	
1952-53	1,132.8	207.1	53.3	1,340.8	52.4	122,090	23,153	6,105	151,348	
1953-54	1,106.5	260.8	57.6	1,380.0	44.9	112,084	26,580	6,131	144,795	
1954-55	1,073.6	250.4	56.6	1,341.7	38.9	95,501	22,273	5,225	122,999	
1955-56†	1,149.7	272.9	66.3	1,455.4	33.5	89,166	21,147	5,386	115,699	
1956-57	1,281.7	334.5	71.7	1,656.9	31.0	125,437	33,460	7,444	166,341	
1956:	January	122.2	36.1	9.7	166.6	1.4	9,924	3,063	808	13,795
	February	66.6	...	...	165.2	1.4	5,492	...	...	5,492
	March	133.8	39.3	9.2	180.2	2.1	10,822	3,321	778	14,921
	April	97.3	0.1	11.7	105.7	3.4	7,428	7	966	8,401
	May	96.2	40.7	9.8	143.5	3.2	7,274	3,190	790	11,254
	June†	85.1	30.3	...	111.0	4.4	6,541	2,168	...	8,709
1957:	January	75.2	40.1	11.4	124.7	2.0	7,809	4,362	1,253	13,424
	February	145.0	39.1	11.5	192.9	2.7	15,710	4,422	1,273	21,405
	March	144.1	34.1	11.8	188.1	1.9	14,999	3,484	1,234	19,717
	April	64.0	...	...	62.0	2.0	6,526	1	...	6,527
	May	137.8	39.2	8.2	183.2	2.0	12,966	3,809	749	17,524
	June	113.0	21.0	...	131.4	2.6	9,629	1,740	...	11,369

\*Scoured bales are not converted to greasy basis. † Including sales at auction in July, 1956, postponed from June.

### 32. Prices of Greasy Wool, New South Wales

Season	Average Price at Auction, New South Wales*	Month	Average Price that would be realised if whole N.S.W. clip was sold at price level of current month			
			1953-54	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57
1938-39	Pence per lb.	July	85.0†	82.5†	67.0†	65.0
1945-46	10.3	August	84.0†	75.0	60.0	69.0
1946-47	15.3†	September	83.0	75.0	58.0	75.0
1947-48	23.6	October	84.0	71.0	58.0	73.0
1948-49	37.9	November	84.0	68.0	58.0	77.0
1949-50	46.8	December	81.0	70.5	60.0	78.0
1950-51	61.8	January	80.0	69.0	61.0	79.0p
1951-52	145.3	February	77.0	70.0	61.0	81.0p
1952-53	76.5	March	77.0	70.0	60.0	79.0p
1953-54	85.1	April	79.0†	69.0	62.0	82.0p
1954-55	81.8	May	82.0	69.0	66.0	83.0p
1955-56	70.6	June	82.5	67.0	67.0†	79.0p
1956-57	61.6					
	80.5					

\* Excluding Albury (regarded as a Victorian selling centre). † Based on United Kingdom purchase prices; does not allow for payments for profits on re-sale of contract wool. ‡ Nominal.

### 33. Wheat Growing in New South Wales

Season	Holdings with 20 acres or more Wheat for Grain	Area under Wheat		Yield of Grain	
		Total	For Grain	Total	Average per acre
1936-37 to 1945-46*	Number	Acres		Bushels	
1946-47	15,875†	4,203,047	3,824,667	49,850,000	13.0
1947-48	15,971	4,772,978	4,474,894	15,682,000	3.5
1948-49	16,803	5,355,169	5,043,017	95,227,000	18.9
1949-50	15,674	4,242,969	4,038,447	64,704,000	16.0
1950-51	15,594	4,173,857	4,011,744	81,939,000	20.4
1951-52	14,279	3,441,958	3,328,490	43,273,000	13.0
1952-53	13,147	2,930,170	2,753,317	39,689,000	14.4
1953-54	13,167	2,836,206	2,702,359	56,670,000	21.0
1954-55	14,865	3,547,624	3,356,888	63,681,000	19.0
1955-56	13,784	3,177,844	2,918,670	37,718,000	12.9
1956-57	14,035	3,064,204	2,937,281	57,149,000	19.5
1956-57p	n.y.a.	1,800,000	1,713,000	28,000,000	16.3

\* Annual average.

† Average of six seasons 1935-36 to 1940-41.

## 34. Wheat : Prices and Return to Growers, New South Wales, and Prices in Canada

Period	Export Price*		Home Price for Human Consumption§	Net Return, f.o.r. country siding, to N.S.W. Growers¶	Canadian No. 1 Northern Wheat; in store, Fort William-Port Arthur and Vancouver
					For Commercial Export
					Cents (Can.) per bushel
	s. d. per bushel				
Year: 1938-39	2	5.1	2	5.9	62.0
1947-48	19	4.7	6	0.2	287.9
1948-49	15	8.2	6	8	226.3
	†	‡			
1949-50	15	5.2	18	5.8	218.6
1950-51	16	1	18	8.8	212.3
1951-52	16	4.3	20	9	235.0
1952-53	16	6	21	2	216.5
1953-54	16	7**	16	7**	186.5
1954-55	14	6**	14	6**	173.0
1955-56	13	4.4**	13	4.4**	174.0
1956 : May	12	9.8**	12	9.8**	175.0
June	13	3**	13	3**	175.0
July	13	4**	13	4**	173.8
August	13	4**	13	4**	173.2
September	13	0**	13	0**	172.5
October	13	0.5**	13	0.5**	171.7
November	13	4**	13	4**	169.8
December	13	8**	13	8**	169.2
1957: January	13	9**	13	9**	169.1
February	13	5.5**	13	5.5**	168.6
March	13	4**	13	4**	168.2
April	13	4**	13	4**	167.3
May	13	6.25**	13	6.25**	163.9
June	13	10.1**	13	10.1**	162.7

\* Annual quotations are the average of the twelve monthly prices, year ended July. Bases are as follows :—  
 1938-39—Average of shippers' limits for bulk and bagged lots, f.o.r. Sydney.  
 1946-47 to 1948-49—Basic export selling price of Australian Wheat Board. Average for bulk and bagged wheat, f.o.r., Sydney.

1949-50 to date—Basic selling prices of Australian Wheat Board for f.a.q. bulk wheat, f.o.b., Sydney (see † and ‡ below).

† Wheat sold under International Wheat Agreement. ‡ Wheat sold in excess of I.W.A. quota.  
 § Wholesale price for f.a.q. bulk wheat, f.o.r. Sydney. Annual quotations are the average of the twelve monthly prices, year ended November.

¶ Allowing for cost of bags and including governmental assistance to wheat growers. Pool season, generally year ended October.

|| Annual quotations are the average of the twelve monthly prices, year ended July.

\*\* For some destinations, where other exporting countries have a geographical freight advantage, the selling price is below this basic price.

## 35. Whole Milk Production, New South Wales

Period	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1954-55	1955-56p	1956-57p
	Thousand gallons					
September Qr.	46,274	62,782	58,303	55,536	63,888	60,813
December Qr.	68,933	98,514	80,815	99,703	105,422	91,368
January	20,773	31,444	27,619	33,375	38,734	31,420
February	17,685	31,241	28,290	32,187	33,611	28,488
March	23,719	30,441	30,859	31,763	30,049	30,087
April	23,576	24,528	22,708	25,296	24,789	24,287
May	21,411	20,545	18,213	20,553	20,492	21,366
June	18,838	17,890	15,380	17,306	18,249	
Year ended June	241,209	317,385	282,187	315,719	335,234	
July-May	222,371	299,495	266,807	298,413	316,985	287,829

NOTE.—The annual average production for the five seasons ended 1939 was 331,963,000 gallons.

## 36. Butter : Prices, Export and Local, and Return to Farmer

Season	Export*	Sydney Wholesale	Net Return to farmer †	Month	Export*	Sydney Wholesale
	s. d. per lb.				s. d. per lb.	
1938-39	1 1.2	1 5	1 1	1956: April	3 0.6	4 0.5
1946-47	1 11.2	1 5.9	1 8.3	May	2 11.3	4 0.5
1947-48	2 3.3	1 7.5	1 11.9	August	2 10.9	4 2
1948-49	2 7.3	1 11.1	2 1.9	September	3 2.2	4 2
1949-50	2 9.6	1 11.1	2 4.5	October	2 10.9	4 2
1950-51	3 0.4	1 11.1	2 8.2	November	2 10.0	4 2
1951-52	3 3.1	2 7.2	3 6.1	December	2 8.5	4 2
1952-53	3 6.0	3 8.8	3 11.4	1957: January	2 6.5	4 2
1953-54	3 7.7	3 8.8	3 11.5	February	2 5.8	4 2
1954-55	3 6.0	3 8.8	3 10.5	March	2 5.3	4 2
1955-56	3 5.6	4 0.2	3 8.9	April	2 6.0	4 2
				May	2 10.2	4 2

\* Weighted average price for choicest butter, f.o.b. Australia † Average price paid for cream supplied to New South Wales factories, inclusive of government subsidy in 1945-46 and later years.

## 37. Oversea Trade, New South Wales and Australia

Period	New South Wales			Australia		
	Merchandise					
	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports
	£A million f.o.b.					
Year : 1938-39	49.9	37.7	(—) 12.2	113.2	121.5	8.3
1949-50	214.0	216.6	2.6	536.1	611.6	75.5
1950-51	301.7	325.6	23.9	741.3	979.1	237.8
1951-52	426.8	193.9	(—) 232.9	1,049.7	665.2	(—) 384.5
1952-53	206.9	249.5	42.6	510.3	848.5	338.2
1953-54	277.9	249.3	(—) 28.6	678.5	811.8	133.3
1954-55	343.5	207.6	(—) 135.9	840.9	758.0	(—) 82.9
1955-56	334.2	217.2	(—) 117.0	818.3	771.1	(—) 47.2
1955-56: July-May	308.4	202.2	(—) 106.2	754.9	697.9	(—) 56.9
1956-57: July-May	288.6	254.8	(—) 33.8	660.9	896.8	235.9
1955: December	24.3	21.7	(—) 2.6	63.2	72.4	9.2
1956: January	26.9	15.6	(—) 11.3	63.4	55.4	(—) 8.0
February	24.8	6.4	(—) 18.4	59.1	20.0	(—) 39.1
March	30.4	23.2	(—) 7.2	80.5	77.5	(—) 3.0
April	29.6	24.4	(—) 5.2	68.0	78.0	10.0
May	31.1	26.6	(—) 4.5	71.5	89.9	18.4
1956: December	23.3	25.2	1.9	52.1	76.3	24.2
1957: January	27.4	24.2	(—) 3.2	62.7	88.1	25.4
February	25.3	23.6	(—) 1.7	51.1	89.5	38.4
March	24.0	31.0	7.0	58.6	98.4	39.8
April	26.8	26.0	(—) .8	60.9	88.2	27.3
May	33.1	23.3	(—) 9.8	69.1	90.7	21.6

(—) Denotes excess of Imports.

## 38. Wholesale Trade, New South Wales

\* Net sales of taxable and exempt goods by traders registered under Sales Tax Acts

Period	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57
	£ million							
September Qr.	109.9	157.4	209.7	176.7	203.3	226.9	268.7	268.4
December Qr.	133.1	163.9	206.6	184.2	215.3	240.6	263.8	269.0
January	38.3	52.4	62.3	53.8	65.0	75.1	81.8	82.0
February	47.7	50.1	65.0	64.4	71.7	84.6	76.6	83.9
March	41.2	62.0	58.8	61.5	70.3	74.8	81.1	95.9
April	54.4	68.8	72.2	62.1	74.8	84.2	96.7	98.2
May	53.0	65.8	64.1	61.4	74.5	90.9	85.5	
June	46.1	66.4	60.1	65.1	76.7	77.9	93.1	
Year ended June	523.7	686.8	798.8	729.2	851.6	955.0	1,047.3	
July-April	424.6	554.6	674.6	602.7	700.4	786.2	868.6	897.4

\* Exclusive of discounts, returns, etc.

## 39. Retail Trade : Principal City Stores, Sydney

Compiled by Retail Traders' Association Research Bureau in conjunction with Commonwealth Bank

Period	Business Days in Period		Value of Net Sales	Value of Stock	Wages and Salaries Paid	Number of Employees*	Three months ended in month shown	
	Previous Year	Current Year					Value of Net Sales	Wages and Salaries Paid
	Number		Percentage Increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with corresponding period of preceding year.					
Year: 1951	303	301	+ 22.7	+ 26.9	+ 32.8	+ 2.7		
1952	301	303	— 8.6	+ 9.0	+ 4.0	— 10.0		
1953	303	302	+ 4.8	— 20.1	— 0.3	— 3.9		
1954	302	301	+ 8.0	+ 9.4	+ 7.1	+ 3.9		
1955	301	303	+ 3.5	+ 9.1	+ 9.2	+ 2.6		
1956	303	303	+ 0.2	+ 1.4	+ 6.0	— 2.6		
1955: Dec.	24	25	+ 2.2	+ 10.0	+ 10.5	+ 1.6	+ 1.4	+ 8.5
1956: Jan.	23	24	+ 4.1	+ 9.5	+ 13.9	+ 0.1	+ 2.3	+ 10.7
Feb.	24	25	+ 4.5	+ 5.6	+ 11.1	— 0.6	+ 3.4	+ 11.8
Mar.	27	26	+ 2.1	+ 1.3	+ 9.1	+ 0.2	+ 3.5	+ 11.4
Apr.	22	23	+ 1.6	+ 4.6	+ 3.1	+ 0.6	+ 2.7	+ 7.7
May	26	27	+ 1.4	+ 4.0	+ 8.1	— 2.3	+ 1.9	+ 6.8
1956: Dec.	25	23	— 1.9	— 2.5	+ 0.5	— 5.0	+ 1.0	+ 6.7
1957: Jan.	24	25	+ 6.5	— 2.6	+ 4.5	— 2.8	+ 1.5	+ 5.8
Feb.	25	24	+ 0.2	— 2.9	+ 1.2	— 1.4	+ 0.9	+ 2.0
Mar.	26	26	— 4.6	— 1.0	+ 0.5	— 2.4	+ 0.2	+ 2.2
Apr.	23	22	— 0.5	— 3.0	+ 6.9	— 1.9	+ 2.1	+ 2.9
May	27	27	+ 1.1	— 3.6	+ 2.7	— 0.3	— 1.5	+ 3.3

\* Further particulars of monthly employment in retail trade are shown in Table 2.

## BANKING

Since 1st October, 1951, 16 trading banks have conducted business in Australia. Of these, 12 operate in New South Wales, comprising the 7 major private trading banks, the Commonwealth Trading Bank of Australia, the Rural Bank of N.S.W., and 3 overseas banks.

**40. Trading Banks : Deposits and Assets in Australia**  
Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Deposits	Balances due to other Banks	Cash Items	Treasury Bills	Government and Municipal Securities	Special Deposits with Commonwealth Bank	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted
£ million							
MAJOR PRIVATE TRADING BANKS							
1945 : June	582.5	n.a.	36.5	46.5	104.3	241.8	207.9
1947 : June	648.3	2.5	34.4	13.8	80.6	275.4	289.7
1949 : June	817.4	49.8	40.0	11.1	62.5	381.2	383.3
1951 : June	1,237.7	63.2	50.5	32.8	93.0	569.6	509.5
1953 : June	1,239.0	3.5	76.6	100.5	115.7	300.8	601.8
1955 : June	1,307.2	4.6	65.4	27.8	124.6	245.8	817.7
1956 : June	1,260.4	22.4	65.7	28.9	120.9	227.7	793.9
1956 : March	1,334.4	2.1	65.7	91.6	119.0	263.9	776.2
April	1,321.5	7.2	60.5	62.1	119.0	257.3	786.8
May	1,277.8	20.7	66.8	41.5	119.0	238.7	798.4
1957 : March	1,416.3	4.2	60.2	92.4	189.2	282.7	725.5
April	1,395.0	5.3	51.7	47.7	184.8	300.4	743.5
May	1,368.7	6.1	55.8	27.7	174.2	300.4	757.3
COMMONWEALTH TRADING BANK*							
1947 : June	58.6	0.3	5.7	1.1	33.9	...	21.6
1951 : June	119.7	2.3	6.9	36.5	15.1	...	68.5
1953 : June	135.7	4.1	11.9	31.3	15.2	32.3	59.7
1955 : June	181.1	0.3	11.6	8.9	39.7	33.9	98.5
1956 : June	179.1	0.3	10.2	5.0	35.7	31.9	101.9
1956 : March	181.4	0.3	10.1	6.0	36.8	35.7	102.7
April	182.8	0.3	10.7	7.6	35.7	34.8	101.3
May	180.2	0.3	9.8	8.2	35.7	32.9	101.0
1957 : March	187.3	0.4	10.5	4.0	36.1	37.3	105.2
April	189.9	0.4	10.7	3.5	36.9	39.2	103.7
May	188.5	0.5	9.7	3.9	36.2	39.2	105.2
ALL TRADING BANKS							
1947 : June	722.7	3.0	42.4	16.2	126.2	277.2	344.8
1951 : June	1,407.4	65.9	62.4	73.8	123.1	572.6	635.5
1953 : June	1,428.0	7.9	94.4	138.7	144.6	334.1	724.8
1955 : June	1,544.7	5.6	81.8	40.7	177.8	280.7	990.8
1956 : June	1,496.1	24.3	79.6	37.4	171.5	260.4	972.4
1956 : March	1,575.7	4.9	79.9	104.4	170.7	300.4	954.6
April	1,563.9	9.8	75.0	76.1	169.6	292.9	964.7
May	1,516.1	22.8	80.6	54.5	169.6	272.4	976.2
1957 : March	1,666.7	6.1	74.6	102.7	242.2	320.7	909.6
April	1,647.0	7.4	66.2	57.3	238.0	340.3	926.7
May	1,617.7	8.3	69.4	37.3	226.1	340.3	942.0

\*General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank prior to 3rd December, 1953.

**41. Trading Banks : Deposits and Advances in New South Wales**  
Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Major Private Trading Banks				C'wealth Trading Bank*		All Trading Banks	
	Deposits			Advances	Deposits	Advances	Deposits	Advances
	Not Bearing Interest	Bearing Interest	Total					
	£ million							
1947: June	174.6	69.7	244.3	116.5	33.3	12.6	286.8	153.6
1949: June	228.1	73.2	301.3	150.4	40.1	18.0	358.0	199.7
1951: June	386.0	81.9	467.9	197.9	60.0	36.1	560.8	276.6
1953: June	379.7	68.9	448.6	243.7	74.0	26.5	557.5	314.7
1955: June	387.4	88.2	475.6	342.5	96.1	43.0	609.9	436.6
1956: June	363.6	87.2	450.8	329.7	93.3	44.1	582.7	426.5
1956: Mar.	391.2	82.4	473.6	315.9	94.4	43.8	607.3	412.6
Apr.	388.0	84.2	472.2	322.7	94.6	43.1	606.6	418.6
May	374.8	85.5	460.3	328.4	93.7	43.6	593.4	424.8
1957: Mar.	401.4	106.1	507.5	307.7	99.4	46.3	647.8	408.0
Apr.	398.4	104.4	502.8	312.2	99.7	45.7	644.0	412.4
May	387.9	107.9	495.8	317.6	99.0	46.2	636.1	418.0

\*General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank prior to 3rd December, 1953.

#### 42. Trading Banks : Debits to Customers' Accounts, New South Wales

"Debits" refer to all trading banks operating in N.S.W., excluding accounts of Australian Governments at city banks and central banking business of the Commonwealth Bank.

Period	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57
Weekly Average—£ million								
July	91.2	121.3	159.3	149.0	163.7	181.8	201.7	214.6
August	80.9	109.2	141.9	130.1	145.6	170.6	186.9	189.0
September	88.0	126.3	153.0	143.0	167.7	179.7	193.7	201.0
October	99.0	135.5	163.0	152.7	168.3	190.3	202.9	221.8
November	107.9	147.9	170.5	159.8	173.0	185.8	216.1	226.1
December	112.2	158.0	175.9	173.8	187.1	194.5	214.1	231.7
January	96.8	131.6	146.2	124.6	151.9	173.8	183.9	202.3
February	108.7	161.1	155.3	156.2	164.8	188.3	187.1	224.7
March	118.6	160.0	152.1	162.4	184.7	186.0	199.8	233.5
April	108.8	161.1	153.3	149.7	166.2	185.5	201.2	232.2
May	122.6	167.3	155.9	157.4	183.0	203.3	218.0	229.8
June	121.2	168.2	158.4	160.3	194.9	206.1	203.9	
Year	104.9	145.1	156.6	151.9	171.7	187.5	200.9	

#### 43. Savings Bank Accounts and Depositors' Balances at end of Month

Month	New South Wales				Australia	
	Active Accounts	Depositors' Balances			Active Accounts	Depositors' Balances
		C'wealth Savings Bank	Other Savings Banks	Total		
	Thousand	£ thousand			Thousand	£ thousand
1939-June	1,330	87,474	.....	87,474	3,858	245,587
1948 "	2,013	236,964	.....	236,964	5,761	681,318
1949 "	2,072	244,483	.....	244,483	5,927	714,232
1950 "	2,138	258,874	.....	258,874	6,144	762,085
1951 "	2,194	284,466	.....	284,466	6,350	837,444
1952 "	2,247	304,532	.....	304,532	6,525	891,898
1953 "	2,279	319,149	.....	319,149	6,666	947,497
1954 "	2,308	339,797	.....	339,797	6,789	1,010,129
1955 "	2,336	358,645	.....	358,645	6,895	1,073,394
1956 "	2,463	363,833	22,843	386,676	7,190	1,141,119
1956: March	2,414	361,379	13,021	374,400	7,070	1,108,215
April	2,432	359,479	16,188	375,667	7,113	1,110,182
May	2,448	356,717	20,020	376,737	7,153	1,112,058
1957: March	2,571	359,596	52,814	412,410	7,433	1,198,105
April	2,581	357,174	54,160	411,334	7,456	1,194,996
May	2,595	356,363	56,873	413,236	7,492	1,200,942

#### 44. Overseas Exchange Rates

Mean of Buying and Selling rates for telegraphic transfers quoted by Commonwealth Bank, average of daily rates.

Period	Australia on—							
	London	New Zealand	South Africa	Montreal	New York	France	Belgium	India
	£A. to £stg.100	£A. to £N.Z.100	£A. to £S.A.100	Canadian \$ to £A.1	U.S. \$ to £A.1	Francs to £A.1	Francs to £A.1	Rupees to £A.1
1938-39	125.25	100.33	124.70	3.79	3.78	141.75	111.58	10.69
1946-June	125.25	100.25	124.88	3.54	3.22	383.24	141.02	10.64
1949 "	125.25	124.27	124.88	3.22	3.22	875.85	141.02	10.64
1950 "	125.25	124.27	124.88	2.46	2.24	782.44	111.78	10.64
1951 "	125.25	124.27	124.88	2.39	2.24	782.44	111.78	10.64
1952 "	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.18	2.22	776.35	111.66	10.64
1953 "	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.19	2.25	784.71	111.76	10.64
1954 "	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.21	2.25	784.84	112.15	10.64
1955 "	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.21	2.23	780.74	111.71	10.64
1956 "	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.20	2.24	783.64	111.12	10.65
1957: February	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.14	2.23	787.80	112.29	10.65
March	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.13	2.23	787.73	112.32	10.65
April	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.14	2.23	787.95	112.46	10.65
May	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.13	2.23	787.26	112.41	10.65
June	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.12	2.23	785.50	112.19	10.65



## 45. Interest Rates, New South Wales

Period	First Mortgages Registered*	Yield on Commonwealth Government Securities†		Trading Banks‡				Savings Bank Deposits‡		Treasury Bills‡ (Dis- count)	
		Short- dated : 2 years	Long- dated : 12 years	Fixed Deposits			Over- draft (Max.)	To £500	£500 to £1,000 \$		
				3 months	24 months						
					To £10,000	Over £10,000					
Per cent. per annum											
Year : 1938-39	5.4	3.67	3.85	2.00	3.00	3.00	5.75	2.00	1.75	1.75	
1945-46	4.6	2.18	3.24	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.75	2.00	1.00	1.00	
1949-50	4.4	1.95	3.13	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75	
1950-51	4.4	1.99	3.21	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75	
1951-52	4.4	2.05	3.95	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75	
1952-53	4.7	3.03	4.54	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00	
1953-54	4.9	3.10	4.44	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00	
1954-55	5.2	3.49	4.50	1.25	2.00	2.00	5.00	2.50	1.25	1.00	
1955-56	5.8	4.39	4.76	2.25	3.00	3.00	6.00	2.75	2.75	1.00	
1956-57	6.6	4.71	5.06	2.25	3.50	3.50	6.00	2.75	2.75	1.00	
1956:	June	6.1	5.13	5.34	2.25	3.00	3.00	6.00	2.75	2.75	1.00
	July	6.2	4.68	5.15	2.25	3.00	3.00	6.00	2.75	2.75	1.00
	August	6.3	4.70	5.05	2.25	3.00	3.00	6.00	2.75	2.75	1.00
	September	6.4	4.99	5.04	2.25	3.00	3.00	6.00	2.75	2.75	1.00
	October	6.5	4.68	5.05	2.25	3.00	3.00	6.00	2.75	2.75	1.00
	November	6.6	4.60	5.07	2.25	3.00	3.00	6.00	2.75	2.75	1.00
	December	6.6	4.69	5.09	2.25	3.50	3.50	6.00	2.75	2.75	1.00
1957 :	January	6.6	4.68	5.04	2.25	3.50	3.50	6.00	2.75	2.75	1.00
	February	6.6	4.70	5.05	2.25	3.50	3.50	6.00	2.75	2.75	1.00
	March	6.6	4.70	5.03	2.25	3.50	3.50	6.00	2.75	2.75	1.00
	April	6.6	4.77	5.06	2.25	3.50	3.50	6.00	2.75	2.75	1.00
	May	6.7	4.70	5.05	2.25	3.50	3.50	6.00	2.75	2.75	1.00
	June	6.7	4.62	5.04	2.25	3.50	3.50	6.00	2.75	2.75	1.00

\* Weighted average rate on first mortgages registered, where mortgagee is a corporation (other than a bank or a building society), or an individual. Mortgages taken by Government Agencies are excluded. Average for year or for 3 months ended month shown. † Compiled by Commonwealth Bank; average for year or as at last Wednesday in month. ‡ Rate current at end of Period.

§ £500 to £1,300 until March, 1942; £500 to £1,500 from June, 1954 to March, 1956. From 1st April, 1956 the rate on excess over £1,000 up to £1,500 is  $1\frac{1}{2}$  per cent.

## 46. Index of Value of Shares on Sydney Stock Exchange

The index relates to the value of ordinary shares on the Sydney Stock Exchange of principal companies (excluding banks), whose business in New South Wales is extensive. The prices of individual shares are unweighted, and each group average is the mean of the average monthly prices per £1 of paid-up capital. The aggregate index is the average of all the shares included in the groups with the addition of 34 miscellaneous shares. There is no base period as the index represents the ratio per cent. of the average prices of ordinary shares to their par values, adjustment being made for changes in capital structure. Minor revisions were made in the composition of the index in August, 1956.

Month	23 Manufacturing and Distributing Companies	10 Retail Companies	4 Pastoral and Finance Companies	4 Insurance Companies	Total, 75* Companies	34 Active Shares Included in foregoing
1939 : Aug.	212.6	168.2	118.2	263.9	174.4	181.9
1945 : Sept.	242.7	207.8	146.7	264.6	195.8	210.3
1949 : June	326.9	274.4	171.7	462.3	242.4	246.4
1950 : June	399.3	318.7	227.4	576.7	293.6	297.5
1951 : June	529.8	397.6	301.6	757.1	366.6	357.0
1952 : June	358.2	257.1	189.0	580.5	256.7	250.7
1953 : June	363.6	265.2	192.8	544.4	254.4	253.7
1954 : June	381.3	310.1	217.7	574.7	274.5	282.2
1955 : June	426.6	403.4	247.0	578.5	314.5	314.8
1956 : June	399.7	377.7	234.5	566.3	295.5	293.2
1956 : July	397.8	370.8	242.4	573.7	294.4	294.0
Aug.	405.1	376.2	249.7	608.2	300.1	303.9
Sept.	416.2	376.5	253.0	643.6	305.8	309.7
Oct.	423.8	377.0	261.2	661.9	308.2	312.2
Nov.	416.8	368.9	257.6	680.2	304.6	307.2
Dec.	418.4	362.5	251.7	671.9	303.1	306.2
1957 : Jan.	430.6	366.3	265.8	695.5	311.3	317.2
Feb.	433.0	370.9	268.9	703.8	315.6	320.0
Mar.	434.2	362.8	265.3	689.5	314.2	315.7
Apr.	435.1	363.9	279.4	688.3	316.1	320.5
May	433.4	361.9	278.7	687.6	317.2	320.7
June	433.3	361.5	278.2	704.3	319.3	321.4

\* Including 34 miscellaneous companies.

# 47. Real Estate Transactions and Crop, Wool, and Stock Mortgages Registered in New South Wales

Period	Real Estate Conveyances and Transfers		Mortgages*	Crop Liens	Wool Liens†	Livestock Mortgages †
	Number	£ thousand				
Year :						
1938-39	50,295	35,272	25,068	1,908	3,064	1,736
1948-49	86,201	62,229	32,518	333	2,391	2,768
1949-50	105,589	125,952	57,382	460	3,115	2,845
1950-51	108,732	192,311	70,600	309	4,828	3,482
1951-52	95,857	179,581	77,211	514	4,371	3,578
1952-53	82,905	143,909	68,590	462	3,428	2,513
1953-54	92,380	188,032	76,024	476	3,460	2,698
1954-55	98,666	218,799	91,686	544	3,654	2,550
1955-56	91,143	230,300	117,023	896	4,123	2,886
1956-57	91,842	226,514	116,753	1,045	5,650	4,347
1956: January	7,243	17,480	8,309	24	293	179
February	7,731	19,160	9,362	14	364	199
March	8,121	19,000	9,062	68	293	244
April	6,782	16,762	8,928	69	334	252
May	7,687	18,352	9,251	24	412	335
June	7,920	17,440	10,544	32	499	284
1957: January	6,614	16,639	8,095	32	351	306
February	6,793	18,098	9,186	20	380	334
March	7,929	18,711	9,588	10	498	445
April	7,952	20,554	10,056	27	625	382
May	9,022	21,571	11,529	28	799	484
June	7,376	18,319	9,747	54	534	381

\* As consideration is not recorded in many mortgages, the amount is understated ; it relates to mortgages in fixed amounts for fixed periods and excludes fluctuating advances secured by mortgage. † Loans secured by both lien on wool and mortgage on sheep are included under both headings.

## 48. Life Assurance, New South Wales

### (a) New Policies issued (exclusive of annuities)\*.

Period	Ordinary Department		Industrial Department		Total Sum Assured
	Policies	Sum Assured	Policies	Sum Assured	
	Number	£ thousand	Number	£ thousand	£ thousand
Year†:					
1939	50,520	18,179	156,787	7,540	25,719
1949	94,665	49,357	113,568	11,332	60,689
1950	98,015	58,666	106,754	11,136	69,802
1951	101,683	78,187	97,361	11,526	89,713
1952	110,992	81,270	99,573	13,342	94,612
1953	111,437	86,501	98,547	13,590	100,091
1954	110,302	97,247	91,554	13,313	110,560
1955	122,516	110,606	86,691	13,520	124,126
1956†	113,448	121,224	87,152	13,800	135,024
1956: Jan-Apr.	34,760	29,795	24,464	3,703	33,498
1957: Jan-Apr.	30,417	33,968	23,775	3,743	37,711
1956: January	6,390	5,058	1,655	235	5,293
February	10,154	7,796	6,874	1,029	8,825
March	9,353	8,485	8,639	1,341	9,826
April	8,863	8,456	7,296	1,098	9,554
1957: January	5,337	6,373	2,255	344	6,717
February	7,532	8,050	6,396	1,013	9,063
March	9,764	10,631	7,375	1,173	11,804
April	7,784	8,914	7,749	1,213	10,127

\* Includes operations of Government Insurance Office of New South Wales. † Annual figures are aggregates of yearly returns for "various balance" dates (mainly in September or December of year specified).

† Total of monthly figures.

### (b) New Loans Granted by Life Assurance Companies in New South Wales\* (exclusive of advances of premiums).

Period	On Mortgage of Real Estate	On Companies' Policies	On Other Securities	Total Loans Granted
Year :				
1949	9,264	931	2,913	13,108
1950	16,184	1,117	3,873	21,174
1951	20,433	1,228	4,935	26,596
1952	16,506	1,771	3,470	21,747
1953	14,772	1,435	2,426	18,633
1954	14,298	1,500	1,901	17,699
1955	22,039	1,873	1,972	25,884
1956	18,507	2,304	1,731	22,542
1956: Jan-Apr.	6,172	704	489	7,365
1957: Jan-Apr.	6,805	788	595	8,188
1956: January	1,410	157	73	1,640
February	1,571	177	84	1,832
March	1,842	181	181	2,204
April	1,349	189	151	1,689
1957: January	1,049	183	92	1,324
February	1,294	194	124	1,612
March	1,961	210	283	2,454
April	2,501	201	96	2,798

\* The Government Insurance Office of New South Wales is not included.

## 49. Commonwealth Government: Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE			EXPENDITURE		
Item	1955-56	1956-57	Item	1955-56	1956-57
£ thousand			£ thousand		
Taxes—			Social Services—		
Customs ... ..	87,508	68,612	Invalid, Age Pensions ... ..	101,625	109,218
Excise ... ..	168,264	217,425	Child Endowment ... ..	60,381	57,037
Sales ... ..	110,001	125,751	Hospital Benefits ... ..	9,553	9,813
Income Tax and Social Services Contribution ... ..	573,988	620,298	Pharmaceutical Benefits ... ..	10,379	9,924
			Other ... ..	32,928	37,941
Payroll ... ..	45,543	48,675	Total, Social Services ... ..	214,866	223,933
Estate ... ..	10,120	12,712	To States—		
Other ... ..	1,819	1,942	Tax Reimbursements ... ..	156,926	174,027
Total Taxes ... ..	997,243	1,095,415	Other ... ..	63,616	70,050
Post Office ... ..	79,341	90,223	Capital Works ... ..	101,900	107,802
Broadcasting and Television ... ..	3,897	5,300	Post Office† ... ..	85,627	91,197
Railways ... ..	4,583	4,428	Broadcasting and Television† ... ..	5,590	6,701
Territories ... ..	2,249	2,525	Railways† ... ..	3,721	4,245
From Trust Funds ... ..	1,981	69,772	Territories† ... ..	14,604	16,510
Other ... ..	41,401	36,710	Defence Services ... ..	190,716	188,497
			War Services, 1914-18 & 1939-45† ... ..	132,108	120,315
			Subsidies ... ..	17,393	15,014
			Debt Charges, n.e.i. ... ..	8,800	10,527
			Other ... ..	80,837	88,633
Total Revenue* ... ..	1,130,695	1,304,373	Total Expenditure* ... ..	1,076,704	1,117,451

\* Excludes self-balancing items amounting to £7,663,000 in 1955-56 and £7,610,000 in 1956-57. Expenditure excludes special appropriations to Loan Consolidation and Investment Reserve, viz. £61,613,000 in 1955-56 and £194,941,000 in 1956-57.

† Including debt charges.

Expenditure from Loan Fund for War and Repatriation (£7,622,000 in 1955-56 and £8,019,000 in 1956-57) is included above. Other loan expenditure in this period consisted of Advances to States for Housing, £33,200,000 in 1955-56 and £32,150,000 in 1956-57, and other services £3,181,000 in 1955-56 and £3,899,000 in 1956-57.

Commonwealth Treasury Bills on issue in Australia at the end of June amounted to £165,000,000 in 1956 and £150,000,000 in 1957.

## 50. New South Wales Government: Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE			EXPENDITURE		
Item	1955-56	1956-57	Item	1955-56	1956-57
£ thousand			£ thousand		
Governmental—			Interest, Exchange, Sinking Fund and Loan Management ... ..	30,219	32,854
From Commonwealth—			Less—Recoups from other Activities ... ..	5,987	7,068
Towards Interest ... ..	2,917	2,917	Net Debt Charges ... ..	24,232	25,786
Reimbursement of Taxes ... ..	61,336	65,279	Other than Debt Charges—		
Stamp and Probate Duty ... ..	18,197	20,995	Governmental ... ..	97,730	108,285
Other Taxes ... ..	5,821	9,303	Business Undertakings—		
Land ... ..	4,197	4,615	Railways ... ..	74,054	74,644
Services ... ..	6,811	8,408	Trams and Buses ... ..	15,032	15,018
Other ... ..	15,623	16,476	Sydney Harbour ... ..	2,276	2,139
Total Governmental ... ..	114,902	127,993	Total Expenditure ... ..	213,324	225,872
Business Undertakings—					
Railways ... ..	77,120	80,537			
Trams and Buses ... ..	11,451	14,506			
Sydney Harbour ... ..	3,024	2,919			
Total Revenue ... ..	206,497	225,955			

Loan Expenditure on works and services was gross £55,369,000 and net (i.e., gross, less repayments to loan account) £49,750,000 in 1955-56, compared with gross £54,296,000 and net £48,974,000 in 1956-57.

### 51. Australian Export Price Index

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician from prices of twenty commodities which normally constitute about 80 per cent. of all Australian exports. The prices are multiplied by the average annual exports (production in the case of gold) in the years 1933-34 to 1935-36.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Wool	Wheat	Butter	Metals*	Meats†	All Groups ‡	
						Excluding Gold	Including Gold
§ (a)	45.63	17.06	11.36	6.83	6.63	...	100.00
§ (b)	49.05	18.34	12.21	7.34	7.13	100.00	...
Year : 1938-39	79	66	101	84	96	82	83
1945-46	117	213	147	196	123	148	146
1950-51	999	432	271	689	209	690	654
1951-52	564	436	291	811	263	495	473
1952-53	616	445	313	504	314	505	483
1953-54	615	411	325	450	338	496	474
1954-55	538	357	313	511	344	450	431
1955-56	464	324	320	562	355	414	397
1956: April	468	310	273	579	317	406	390
May	498	316	265	556	324	420	403
June	505	317	299	548	335	428	411
July	490	323	272	549	343	419	403
August	520	326	261	558	347	434	417
September	566	326	284	562	353	460	441
October	551	330	260	559	361	451	432
November	581	328	252	569	357	465	445
December	588	329	242	566	360p	467p	447p
1957: January	596p	332p	227	570	385p	472p	452p
February	611p	335p	222	557	388p	479p	458p
March	596p	327p	218	555	372p	468p	448p
April	618p	321p	224	548	382p	483p	462p
May	626p	319p	256	495	398p	488p	466p

\* Non-ferrous—Silver, copper, tin, zinc, lead.  
sugar, dried fruits, tallow, and hides.  
including Gold and (b) excluding Gold.

† Beef, lamb, mutton, pork.

‡ Includes also  
§ Percentage distribution of base aggregate for "All Groups" (a)

|| Nominal.

### 52. Wholesale Price (Basic Materials and Foodstuffs) Index

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. Commodities are priced in their primary or basic form wherever possible. Prices are drawn mainly from Melbourne sources. Apart from locally produced building materials, and one or two minor commodities, the price movements may be taken as representative of variations in wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Metals and Coal	Textiles	Building Materials	Total Basic Materials	Foodstuffs and Tobacco *	Goods Principally Imported†	Goods Principally Home-produced *	Total, All Groups *
Year : 1938-39	103	82	97	99	101	99	100	100
1950-51	256	641	268	264	229	256	240	244
1951-52	343	577	370	321	276	288	300	297
1952-53	392	607	404	350	293	292	331	319
1953-54	388	566	363	332	308	271	339	319
1954-55	391	510	372	330	315	277	340	322
1955-56	404	456	415	345	325	292	352	334
1956: Feb.	405	453	408	343	318	288	346	329
Mar.	405	446	425	350	328	299	354	338
April	403	456	442	353	328	303	355	339
May	410	477	444	357	333	304	361	344
June	409	482	444	357	328	299	358	341
July	410	461	444	358	330	301	360	343
Aug.	409	481	445	362	329	303	361	344
Sept.	411	513	467	368	329	309	363	347
Oct.	410	503	467	367	325	310	359	344
Nov.	413	522	467	369	319	314	354	342
Dec.	412	528	467	369	321	315	355	343
1957: Jan.	412	533	467	369	321	316	354	343
Feb.	409	544	467	370	324	318	356	345
Mar.	407	532	467	368	324	315	356	344
April	407	547	467	369	324rp	313p	358rp	344p
May	403	548	467	367	317p	311p	352p	340p

\* Reconstructed as from the base period by excluding potatoes and onions.

† Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the Wholesale Price Index. This Index does not measure changes in import prices generally.

### 53. Wholesale Price Indexes: Various Countries.

The items priced and the levels at which they are priced in these indexes vary widely according to the intended purposes of the indexes of the respective countries. For the United Kingdom and France, the current indexes are not available on a pre-war base.

Base : Average for 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Australia *	New Zealand	South Africa	Canada	U.S.A. †	Sweden	United Kingdom ‡ \$ / ¶	France	India
Year : 1936-37	99	96	97	101	104	98	Base: 30th June, 1949=100	Base: 1949=100	Base: Year ended August, 1939=100
1937-38	101	102	103	104	101	103			
1938-39	100	102	100	95	95	99			
1951-52	297	243	252	229	213	285	175	128	414
1952-53	319	252	269	216	209	278	152	126	385
1953-54	319	248	270	214	209	268	143	125	397
1954-55	322	249	274	211	208	272	147	127	363
1955-56	334	253	283	217	212	290	155	133	376
1956 : Aug.	344	265	282	222	217	293	156	136	419
Sept.	347	266	284	222	218	292	157	137	420
Oct.	344	267	284	222	219	293	155	137	418
Nov.	342	263	286	221	219	294	159	137	428
Dec.	343	259	287	223	220	297	162	138	429
1957 : Jan.	343	256	287	224	221	298	161	138	422
Feb.	345	257	287	223	221	295	160	138	425
Mar.	344	258	284	223	221	293	159	138	n.y.a.
Apr.	344p	261	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	222	n.y.a.	160	n.y.a.	n.y.a.

\* Reconstructed as from the base period by excluding potatoes and onions.

† Current series linked as at January, 1947, to former series to show movement prior to that date. ‡ Compilation of the general wholesale price index previously published ceased after December, 1955. § Basic materials (excluding fuel) used in non-food manufacturing industry. ¶ All manufactured products other than fuel, food and tobacco.

### 54. Retail Price Index Numbers ("C" Series)

Base : Weighted Average for six Capital Cities in 1923-27=1000

(a) Sydney (Group Indexes and Total "C" Series Index)

Quarter	Food and Groceries		Rent, 4 and 5 Rooms	Clothing	Miscellaneous Items	Total "C" Series Index†	
1939 : September	930		1039	841	939	933	
1945 : June	1040		1043	1410	1163	1141	
1947 : June	1096		1044	1540	1187	1194	
1949 : June	1384		1048	1980	1347	1425	
1951 : June	1943		1051	2819	1689	1875	
1953 : June	2669		1274	3305	2044	2360	
1954 : June	2703		1320	3257	2045	2373	
1955 : June	2835		1332	3267	2031	2423	
1956 : March	(c) 2986	(d) 2906	1355	3267	2074	(a) 2490	(b) 2461
June	3128	2979	1359	3279	2135	2556	2501
September	3351	3060	1360	3295	2267	2665	2559
December	3173	3048	1364	3328	2348	2624	2578
1957 : March	3075	3070	1385	3359	2369	2604	2602
June	3059	3039	1401	3384	2424	2618	2611

(b) Districts of New South Wales (Total "C" Series Index)

Quarter	Sydney		Newcastle		Broken Hill		Goulburn		Bathurst		Five Towns*	
1939 : September	933		897		943		914		881		930	
1945 : June	1141		1099		1193		1111		1089		1138	
1947 : June	1194		1150		1237		1160		1147		1191	
1949 : June	1425		1393		1504		1421		1393		1424	
1951 : June	1875		1853		1939		1858		1825		1874	
1953 : June	2360		2283		2397		2292		2354		2354	
1954 : June	2373		2319		2425		2329		2383		2369	
1955 : June	2423		2388		2439		2398		2424		2420	
1956 : March	(a) 2490	(b) 2461	(a) 2444	(b) 2419	(a) 2489	(b) 2465	(a) 2504	(b) 2464	(a) 2482	(b) 2445	(a) 2487	(b) 2458
June	2556	2501	2499	2447	2531	2491	2548	2497	2520	2470	2551	2497
September	2665	2559	2604	2503	2644	2539	2656	2548	2626	2524	2659	2554
December	2624	2578	2575	2528	2641	2567	2638	2570	2611	2551	2620	2574
1957 : March	2604	2602	2541	2548	2597	2601	2600	2590	2578	2569	2599	2597
June	2618	2611	2564	2565	2625	2626	2618	2607	2586	2573	2614	2607

\* Weighted average for foregoing five towns.

† Comprising foregoing groups.

(a) Aggregate, all groups. (b) All groups excluding price movements of potatoes and onions, cumulative from (and including) September Quarter, 1955. (c) Aggregate, food and groceries group. (d) Food and groceries group excluding price movements of potatoes and onions, cumulative from (and including) September Quarter, 1955.

## 55. Basic Wages : Sydney, Adult Males and Females

State and Commonwealth Awards					Month of Change	State Awards			Commonwealth Awards	
Month of Change	Amount per week— Males	Month of Change	Amount per week			Amount per week			Amount per week	
			Males	Females *		Males	Females *	Males	Females	
1947: Feb.	s. 108	1950: Dec.	s. 165†	s. d. 123 6	1955: Nov.	s. 253	s. d. 189 6	s.	s. d.	
May	110									
Nov.	112	1951: Feb.	173	129 6	1956: Feb.	255	191 0			
		May	180	135 0	May	256	192 0			
1948: Feb.	114	Aug.	193	144 6	June			253†	189 6†	
May	116	Nov.	207	155 0	Aug.	263	197 0			
Aug.	120				Nov.	274	205 6			
Nov.	122	1952: Feb.	216	162 0						
		May	223	167 0	1957: Feb.	270	202 6			
1949: Feb.	124	Aug.	235	176 0	May	268	201 0	263§	197 0§	
May	127	Nov.	237	177 6	Aug.	270	202 6			
Aug.	130									
Nov.	132	1953: Feb.	238	178 6						
		May	241	180 6						
1950: Feb.	135	Aug.	243†	182 0‡						
May	138									
Aug.	142									
Nov.	146									

\* None declared by Commonwealth Arbitration Court until December, 1950. Under State Awards, the amount shown represents the minimum wage per week payable to adult females.

† Increase resulting from judgment of the Commonwealth Arbitration Court.

‡ Quarterly adjustments for movements in retail prices were suspended in September, 1953, in both Commonwealth and State Awards. They were restored in State Awards in N.S.W. in November, 1955.

§ Increase resulting from judgment of the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Commission.

## 56. Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rates and Average Weekly Hours of Labour, New South Wales

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. The nominal wage and hour figures are in course of revision. The amounts shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as an index of changes expressed in money and hour terms.

End of Month	Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rate				Average Weekly Standard Working Hours	
	Amount—shillings		Index Number		Adult Males	Adult Females
	Adult Males	Adult Females	Adult Males*	Adult Females†		
1939 : Sept.	95.8	52.7	1870	1939	44.0	43.9
1945 : Sept.	121.1	72.3	2362	2660	43.5	43.9
1947 : June‡	132.7	82.3	2589	3029	43.5	43.9
1948 : June§	149.1	92.4	2909	3402	40.0	40.0
1949 : June	165.4	103.5	3227	3811	40.0	40.0
1950 : June	179.3	114.3	3499	4206	40.0	40.0
1951 : June	228.6	151.0	4461	5558	40.0	40.0
1952 : June	270.4	183.1	5277	6738	40.0	40.0
1953 : June	289.8	196.7	5655	7240	40.0	40.0
Dec.	296.6	198.4	5788	7302	40.0	40.0
1954 : June	296.7	198.5	5790	7305	40.0	40.0
Dec.	298.3	198.6	5820	7311	40.0	40.0
1955 : Mar.	302.2	201.0	5896	7398	40.0	40.0
June	302.6	201.0	5904	7398	40.0	40.0
Sept.	303.1	201.7	5914	7424	40.0	40.0
Dec.	310.1	205.2	6051	7553	40.0	40.0
1956 : Mar.	312.9	205.9	6106	7579	40.0	40.0
June	317.3	211.4	6192	7779	40.0	40.0
Sept.	321.8	212.8	6279	7834	40.0	40.0
Dec.	329.5	216.8	6430	7981	40.0	40.0
1957 : Mar. p	327.1	215.4	6382	7929	40.0	40.0

\* Base : Weighted average for Australia in April, 1911 (51s. 3d.) = 1000. † Base : Weighted average for Australia in April, 1914 (27s. 2d.) = 1000.

‡ Forty-hour week under State Awards from 1st July, 1947.

§ Forty-hour week under Commonwealth Awards from 1st January, 1948.



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